Y.M.C.A. - 1939

More Than Three Hundred Thousand Dollars Raised And Paid Out By YMCA

Trustees And Directors Set Enviable Record In Running Institution; 17-Year History Shows What Can Be Done For Men And Boys Of City

In a recent report made by the custodian of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association, gotten up for the benefit of the board of trustees and directors of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association, it brings forth the fact that they have for the past seventeen years addressed themselves to a challenge that completes a story rivaling that of "Jack's Bean Stalk." It brings out the further fact that had the citizens paid off the mortgage on this property after the first two campaigns, the money that was raised and spent could have been used in remodeling, renovating and making ideal the Colored Young Men's Christian Association Building.

The property is centrally located. No city in the United States operating a Colored Young Men's Christian Association or Branch Association, can boast of such an advantageous location; but this is all explained by the fact, said a well informed citizen, that when the Y. M. C. A. first held its campaign and when the $30,000.00 was subscribed in a building fund drive, the colored citizens were promised that if they get $25,000.00 subscribed, the Central Branch would match it with a $100,000.00 campaign drive and the Rosenwald Fund would donate $25,000.00. The colored citizens went through with their campaign, but the Central Branch failed them. They never staged their campaign, they never raised the money. This of course, prevented the colored citizens from getting the $25,000.00 promised by the late Mr. Julius Rosenwald. The failure to have these two last promises fulfilled had its disastrous effect upon the Colored Y Committee of Management at that time collecting their pledges, so they went on and purchased a piece of property and finally staged a second campaign, after which they purchased the old Duncan Hotel. This hotel at that time had a mortgage of $100,000.00 on it. This mortgage was held by the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company in the sum of $85,000.00, which was the first mortgage, while the second mortgage of $15,000.00 was held by the late Mr. Timothy who was owner of the Timothy Dry Goods Company. The Central Association, acting for the committee of management, was supposed to pay the principal and interest on the mortgage, but this mortgage was never paid. The colored branch then secured a charter, after resisting an effort to deprive them of the property they had purchased (because of an agreement to sell it, and the first payment for this sale had already been made), formed their own organization, elected their board, selected a secretary, and from that time on they have worked religiously and earnestly to maintain the high standing of the citizens of Nashville, the dignity of their position, and keep a place for men and boys, carrying out to the best of their financial ability, the idea of an organization for body, mind and soul.

These are startling figures of the amount of cash they have raised and paid out through their individual efforts and strong-hearted determination.

They have paid in interest on the mortgage—$69,450.00

They have paid out in salaries—$70,200.00

They have paid out in fire insurance premiums—$11,448.00

They have paid out in improvements, repairs and installing a new boiler—$43,000.00

They have paid out in supplies for the building—$15,600.00

They have actually paid out in lights and electric current—$12,960.00

They have paid for coal and fuel—$32,400.00

They have paid out in laundry service for towels, sheets, pillow cases, etc—$10,800.00

They have paid out in property taxes—$3,600.00

They have paid out in new furniture, mattresses, sheets, pillow cases, blankets, pillows, printing stationery, stamps and other incidentals—$72,500.00

It can easily be seen therefore, that if the mortgage had been paid off in the beginning, if the citizens had raised the funds as they agreed to, the Nashville Colored Young Men's Christian Association would have not only been paid for, but there would have been a sufficient amount saved to have created an endowment to maintain the organization. An effort is now on foot to correct this unfortunate situation. Determined citizens are banding themselves together and pledging monthly payments to raise the fund.

Dr. J. H. Hale, the chairman of the board of trustees, with Henry Allen Boyd, the secretary of the board, are asking one thousand red-blooded citizens to agree to pay one dollar a month. The board of directors, of which Mr. M. W. Day is chairman, Mr. L. Landers secretary, have joined with the board of trustees. The executive secretary, Rev. J. T. Ridley, and the house secretary, Mr. A. G. Ferguson, have addressed themselves to the task.

The momentum that the drive for these funds is gathering has not been fast, but it has been steady. Every week and most every day in each week some loyal citizens have contributed, have donated. Thus the Y. M. C. A. group is now out making this appeal for a worthy cause, and for the liquidating of the mortgage on this building.

Mobile, Ala. Press
September 18, 1939

Colored Y. M. C. A. Launches Campaign

The colored Y. M. C. A. membership drive was launched Sunday with workers speaking at local colored churches, and solicitors are being placed in the field Monday to begin a house-to-house solicitation. A meeting will be held at 8 o'clock Monday night, at which workers will make first day reports and receive final instructions.

Pensacola Fla Journal
December 4, 1939

Youth Faces Problems

GROWING racial antagonisms, war and lack of jobs head the list of items about which high school students of the nation are most concerned, according to advance information on Hi-Y and Older Boys' conferences, which are scheduled this month in most of the 48 states.

The conferences, held under auspices of Hi-Y and State Y. M. C. A.s, will draw from 250 to 1,000 high school boys as delegates in each state.

George B. Corwin, National Hi-Y director, enumerates the nine major problems of high school youth which will form the basis of the conferences, as: 1. Getting a job; 2. Effect of present wars on youth; 3. Interracial conflicts—Jewish, German, Slavic and negro; 4. Drinking and smoking; 5. A personal religion; 6. Boy and girl relationships; 7. Personality development; 8. Use of leisure time and, 9. Whether or not to go to college.

Typical conference themes are: "Youth Striving for Peace," for the Ohio State Hi-Y conference, "Living in a Christian Democracy" for the Virginia conference and "A Young Man's World of Tomorrow" for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

One of the most unique conferences will be in the form of a "School for Legislators" December 8 to 10 in Albany, New York when 250 delegates chosen from 800 who are to attend the Fourth Annual Hi-Y Assembly, take over their state capitol.

The delegates, chosen according to regular election rules from their own Hi-Y groups, will be organized as regular state bodies, members occupying seats in both chambers. Among measures to be considered are: "Promotion of the co-operative movement in New York state," "Establishment of a Youth Commission," "Licenses for Bicycles," "High school courses to fit pupils for living rather than going on to college," and "Provision for sex education in the high schools."

Veteran 'Y' Man Honored In Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 22—Capt. Charles E. Frye, first Race executive secretary of the Cedar Avenue Branch of the Y.M.C.A. was honored Sunday after serving with credit for the past 18 years. Two years ago he was given a leave of absence following illness from which he has never fully recovered.

Representatives of all branches of the "Y" in Cleveland were present and participated. A greater part of the community joined in the tribute paid Captain Frye, who took over the management of the branch when it had only a mere handful of members and built it up to a membership of 2,800.

C. Wallace Hawkins, new executive secretary, was given a hearty welcome to his new post. Tributes to Captain Frye were delivered by Malcolm White, representing the young men's department; Lieutenant Beatty, retired U. S. Army officer, speaking for the community; Russell Alexander, physical director of Outhwaite school, speaking for the boys that grew up under Captain Frye; W. W. Curtis, dormitory secretary, representing the branch staff, and Mayor Harold H. Burton, speaking for the city.

Paul Walter, a member of the Board of Managers, presented Capt. Frye with a scroll in tribute of his work and a silk lounging robe. Rev. W. H. McKinney, pastor of Antioch Baptist church and chairman of the board of managers, was master of ceremonies. Dr. C. V. Thomas, general secretary of the Y.M.C.A. in Cleveland, presented Mr. Hawkins to the group as the new secretary.

Captain Frye is a Spanish-War veteran and a former captain of Company E, 372nd Infantry, O.N.G. Mr. Hawkins has been connected with the branch the past two and one-half years in the capacity of field work secretary.

Two Equipped For Services To Both Sexes

Tobias Advises Unity To Combat Race Animosity

NEW YORK, N. Y.—America's best protection against the importation of new racial and religious hatreds to this country is the cooperation of Jews and white Christians with the colored people in their struggles for advancement, maintains Channing H. Tobias, senior secretary of the National YMCA colored department, in announcing the construction of three new YMCA's in the East, two of which will be dedicated this month.

These include the $65,000 building given by Caesar Cone, 2nd, a Jewish manufacturer in Greensboro, N. C.; the Community YMCA in Princeton, N. J., erected by the joint efforts of colored and white people, and the $365,000 building, gift of H. Fletcher Brown, wealthy banker, in Wilmington, Del.

In connection with these gifts, Dr. Tobias said: "Of late there has been a growing attempt to import new racial and religious hatreds to this country. Men like Caesar Cone, H. Fletcher Brown, and the late Julius Rosenwald, who forgot racial barriers in helping those who have long been the victims of prejudice and discrimination here at home, give America her best front against foreign isms."

EMPLOYEES HONORED

Greensboro, N. C. will dedicate its new YMCA at an early date. Mr. Cone gave this building in honor of two employees who had worked faithfully for his family for thirty-eight years. The building will serve women and girls as well as men and boys.

The second building to be dedicated is the Community Y in Princeton, N. J. This is the first colored Y in the country with separate quarters for the YMCA and YWCA.

Constructoin is under way in Wilmington, Del., for its new YMCA. Like the Princeton building, there will be separate quarters for the YMCA and YWCA, with each having use of the swimming pool, athletic equipment, and musical facilities under separate staffs provided by the two organizations.

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Maceo Thomas Heads Harlem Branch Y. M. Financial Campaign

"When an organization serves a community as well and as faithfully as has the Harlem Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, that organization deserves the support of the community—whether it be financial, moral or physical support."

With this introductory remark, Maceo Thomas, one of Harlem's most successful business men, recently named chairman of the group staging a financial campaign for the Harlem Branch, began his discussion of the work the institution has accomplished in his particular area.

Unfortunately the point of interest in this community, the Harlem Branch by actual count is visited during the hours of 9 a. m. to 11 p. m. by more persons than any other spot in the city. Fully a million persons pass through the main floor lobby during a year—and the majority of those people are colored persons who are serviced by the institution.

"There is no doubt that the Harlem Branch is the cultural center of the community—it is the central meeting place, the central recreation center, the Lighthouse for Harlem in other words," continued Mr. Thomas, addressing his associates, Attorney Thomas B. Dyett, well known for his work in the District Atorney s office until recently, and Samuel A. Allen, former Urban League industrial secretary, now supervisor of Racial Problems in the State Department of Social Welfare.

Mr. Thomas and his group of interested workers are trying to raise a sum of $7,500 to continue these activities, from many of which there is no revenue, yet is an urgent demand for their continuance. In order that this may be accomplished and not unbalance the budget for other expenses in the building, a general appeal is annually made to the public using the buillding.

In previous campaigns, other well known New Yorkers have headed these drives including such well known personages as Editor Fred R. Moore of The New York Age, Justice James S. Watson and A. A. Austin.

Greensboro, N. C., News
January 18, 1939

GET TOTAL OF $502 AS CAMPAIGN OPENS

Some of Moorland Association Majors Yet to Report.

A total of -502 cash on hand was reported last night by majors of Jesse Moorland Y. M. C. A. at the close of the first day's campaign in that organization's efforts to raise $5,000 for the purchase of the site for Greensboro's new negro Y. M. C. A. building on Mitchell and East Market street corner. Many of the majors have not yet reported.

City school teachers, with J. A. Tarpley serving as major, reported 100 per cent in cash and pledges. Physicians and dentists, with Dr. B. W. Barnes as major, reported 90 per cent.

At its regular meeting at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning the Interdenominational Ministerial alliance, of which Dr. R. T. Weatherby is president, passed a vote of thanks to Ceasar Cone, II, donor of the new building to be erected soon at an approximate cost of $50,000.

Reports are outstanding on the following divisions: A. and T. college. Bennett college, Immanuel Luthern college, county schools, residential division, industrial division and business division.

Greensboro Cotton King Is Donor

Journal and Guide

Race Man, Woman Work 38 Years For Cone Family

1-28-39

(Special to Journal and Guide)

GREENSBORO, N. C.—Because of the faithfulness and honesty of two servants of the Cone family, Greensboro will soon have a handsome YMCA building. A gift of $50,000 by Caesar Cone, 2nd toward the construction of the building was announced New Year's Day by Elmer D. Yost, president of the Greensboro YMCA.

Mr. Cone, who is actively identified with the Cone Export and Commission Company, is making the gift out of consideration for two servants who faithfully served the Cone family for many years: Mrs. Sallie Hayes, who was the family cook for 38 years before her death five years ago, and Andrew Taylor who has been with the family for the past 38 years, and is still active in a domestic capacity.

Desiring to do something for Mrs. Hayes and Mr. Taylor out of consideration for what they have done for the family, Mr. Cone selected a YMCA building because of its "beneficiality to the moral, cultural, and spiritual growth of their race and community."

THREE STORY STRUCTURE

The building will be constructed of red brick and will have a frontage of approximately 76 feet and a depth of 65 feet including gymnasium, with provision being made for addition of other units at later dates. The present plans, which are still preliminary, call for a three-story structure.

The first floor of the building will have social rooms for men and women, office space, service departments, baths and club rooms. The second and third floors are planned for dormitory space, and the basement will be left for a swimming pool to be installed at a later date.

It has not been decided whether or not a gymnasium will be included in the present plans. If it is not, provision will be made so that it can be added later. W. C. Holleyman, Jr., has been named architect.

CITIZENS TO PURCHASE LOT

Negro citizens of Greensboro have volunteered to purchase the lot at the corner of Mitchell and Market streets at a cost of $5,000. Just as soon as the lot is purchased construction on the building will start.

A committee headed by C. E. Dean, president of Jesse Moorland YMCA, and the Rev. R. T. Weatherby, chairman, are working out details for raising the necessary funds. Other members of the committee are: William Compton, Dr. F.D.Bluford,J.A.Tarpley,Dr.David D. Jones,Watson Law, and E.L.Faiford,acting secretary of Jesse Moorland Y.M.C.A.

38 YEARS ON THEJOB

Mr.Taylor moved to Greensboro from Warren County in 1896 and began working in 1900.He has been with them and has watched them grow since that time. At present he is supervisor of the household. The running of the many Cone homes is left entirely up to him.

In addition to his duties at the Cones, Mr. Taylor has raised a family of three children, all of whom have finished college and are now teaching. His home is paid for and he is highly respected by all citizens of Greensboro.

He is a very modest man and is one of the few individuals whom are honored while living. When asked what his success was attributed to, he said, "Hard work and honesty, and I guess a little more honesty than work."

Mrs. Hayes began working for the Cones in 1895 and for 38 years she was the family cook. Five years ago she died and at her funeral all the members of the Cone family were present.

Mrs. Hayes is survived by two sisters; Mrs. Bertha S. Wooden, and Mrs. Lettie S. McConnell of Greensboro, and one son, Fletcher Fountain Hayes, and granddaughter, Yvonne Hayes of Raleigh, N. C.

BENEFACTOR INTERESTED IN "Y" WORK

Mr. Cone became interested in YMCA work while a student at the University of North Carolina where he was connected with the association. Later in his many and varied travels he always chose the YMCA in preference to hotels. He said of YMCA's: "A YMCA is one organization that will upbuild a community as much as anything else."

Mr. Cone is the son of Mrs. Jeannette Cone and the late Ceasar Cone, who was a pioneer cotton goods manufacture in the Greensboro area. His father was also noted for his philanthrophy.

The Greensboro Record in an editorial said:

"The manner in which Ceasar Cone presents a Young Men's Christian Association building to the Negroes of Greensboro enhances the richness of the gift, a richness of character-building possibilities inestimable. No one can realize what it means so well as the racial leaders upon whom responsibility most rests for the guidance of their youth, familiar by observation with the work of this agency amongst the white boys of the community, and its reflection from generation to generation in the adult life of Greensboro.

"The gift is made in the names of Sallie Hayes, dead, and Andrew Taylor, living, a beautiful testimonial to their faithfulness and industry, as exemplars of character. The building is to stand upon land bought by the Negroes themselves, this establishing a pride in their contributory achievement which will magnify their appreciation of the institution.

"The Y. M. C. A., agency of religious influence, social service, industrial goodwill, physical recreation and inter-racial conciliation, has a history of nearly a hundred years in the accomplishment of all these purposes. This handsomest of New Year gifts will provide the association with opportunity where it has been conspicuously lacking. But it is a circumstance to which particular emphasis belongs that Mr. Cone was influenced in part by what has been accomplished by the Jesse Moorland branch, where that lack has been in some measure supplied."

Greensboro, N. C., News
February 27, 1939

$3,634.64 IS PLEDGED IN NEGRO 'Y' CAMPAIGN

A total of $3,634.64 in pledges, of which $1,760.45 is in cash, has been raised by Jesse E. Moorland branch of the Y. M. C. A. in the campaign for $5,000 to purchase a building site, it was announced yesterday by E. L. Raiford, executive secretary.

Due to the request of canvassers, the drive has been extended to permit completion of all reports, it was said. The workers are assisting with the collection of pledges, all of which are expected to be paid during the spring, Raiford said.

Recognition Given For 38 Years Of Service

Journal and Guide 4-28-34
Norfolk, Va.

Andrew Taylor one of the servants of a Greensboro, N. C. family, who was honored on New Year's day, when the family announced the gift of $50,000 toward the construction of a YMCA building. The gift was made by Caesar Cone, 2nd, wealthy cotton mill owner, in recognition of many years of faithful service of Mr. Taylor and Mrs. Sallie Hayes, deceased.

Charlotte N. C. Observer
February 26, 1939

NEGRO Y. M. C. A. IS VERY ACTIVE

Most Progressive Month in the Last Two Years Reported by Secretary.

The negro branch of the Y.M.C.A. with headquarters at 416 East Second street, registered its busiest and most progressive month in the last two years, it was announced yesterday by Arthur Anderson, general secretary.

Night school work is becoming increasingly popular under J. S. Bowser, instructor. The Y-Phalanx clubs are showing a steady growth under the guidance of Edward H. Brown. The Washington Day program was a highlight, sponsored by the younger men's clubs. The Y-Clubs in the grammar schools are going ahead under leaders from the Johnson C. Smith university. Special sports events were staged in which the proceeds are being used to provide athletic equipment for the Y-clubs.

Greensboro, N. C., Record
March 18, 1939

Panel Discussion To Be Conducted

The Jesse Moorland Y. M. C. A. and the negro division of the state N. Y. A. with C. E. DeVane in direct charge will conduct jointly a panel discussion at the Providence Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The general topic of the meeting is "Employment Problems of Negro Youth."

This program will open the local observance of the vocational opportunities campaign sponsored by the National Urban league. E. L. Raiford, executive secretary of the Moorland association, will preside.

The principal speakers for the meeting are Wilbur Wright, of the federal unemployed compensation bureau; Prof. D. W. Wyatt, of the A. and T. faculty, and Charles Fairley, Jr., president of the Phalanx fraternity, Jasse Moorland and Y. M. C. A.

Special music for the occasion will be furnished by the Dudley high mixed chorus and senior girls chorus.

Local youth organizations assisting with the program include the A. and T. college Y. M. C. A., and Y. W. C. A., the Bennett college Y. W. C. A., the American Student union, Hi-Y and Girl Reserve clubs, and young people's organization of local churches.

Charlotte N. C. Observer
April 2, 1939

Negro Y. M. To Hear University Head

Local observance of the national Y. M. C. A. Expansion Fund campaign will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock at Second Ward Negro High school with an address by President Rufus E. Clement of Atlanta university of Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Clement, a member of the national council, is a native of Charlotte and attended public schools here. He attended Livingston college and later received his master's and doctor's degree from Northwestern university. He has served as dean of Livingston college, as president of Unicipal college in Louisville, Ky., and now is president of Atlanta university, largest co-educational negro school of its kind.

The program here will be under the direction of Dr. Channing Tobias, secretary of the national Y. M. C. A. council for work among colored people. The program will be directed by Edward H. Brown, member of the Second Ward faculty and chairman of the Extension Fund drive. The program will consist of musical selections from the West Charlotte High school Detson Chanters, Johnson C. Smith university quintet, and the Second Ward High School Glee club. Arthur Anderson, secretary, will give a report of work of the local colored Y. M. C. A. for the year. Prof. T. M. Martin of West Charlotte High school will display bulletin board materials illustrating work of the Colored Branch. The speaker will be presented by W. H. Moreland, chairman of the Colored Branch and a member of the Second Ward High school faculty. 11

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Winston-Salem, N. C., Sentinel
April 16, 1939

Negro Group Wins Attendance Honors

The above thirty-nine boys and sponsors, representing nine clubs of the Patterson Avenue Branch Y. M. C. A., was the largest city unit to attend the twelfth annual Older Boys' Conference at the Williston High School, Wilmington. The conference over, the organization decided on Greensboro for the meeting place next year. The theme of the conference was "Stepping Stones to Character."

Post A

21 Months Of Service By Pastor

(By YMCA Correspondent)

At the regular meeting of the Butler Street YMCA staff, Saturday, June 24, the Rev. John Clarence Wright, acting executive secretary and pastor of the First Congregational church of this city, announced that he was resigning the post as of Saturday, July 1. 7-1-39

REV. WRIGHT

SERVED 21 MONTHS

Like the saying of the old philosopher, who claimed that that which is borrowed must be returned to the lender, if the good faith of the lender is to be held, the YMCA reluctantly returns to the people of his church, the good Rev. Wright after serving 21 months.

There can be no doubt that he will be missed, both by the service he rendered and by the staff which labored under him. B. C. Riley, head of the custodian department, expressed the sentiment of the staff when he proclaimed that it has been a pleasure working under him.

MANY CHANGES

Under the administration of the retiring acting secretary, the Butler Street "Y" has seen quite a few changes. In many instances there has been a rejuvenating of the spirit in the many departments. Many of the rooms of the dormitory have been completely redecorated to make living in them more pleasant. The heating plant has been completely overhauled at a cost of $1,100 insuring an even and comfortable temperature throughout the entire building on the coldest winter days.

Perhaps one of the finest contributions made during Rev. Wright's administration has been the redecorating and improving of the lobby. Until he came the huge open fire-place had not been used. New curtains have been hung in both the lobby and the men's recreation rooms. Cool, inviting summer covers have been put on the furniture, and new floor lamps give a glow of warmth and an atmosphere of home and good fellowship.

In the way of program, the Rev. Wright has made an attempt to revive the Sunday Men's Religious Mass Meeting to conduct a Bible Study Class primarily for dormitory men; to hold a monthly "Bean Supper."

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

In an effort to increase the efficiency of the staff, new members have been added. These were added primarily because of the insistency of the executive who saw the need of both a more trained and a larger staff. A business manager has been added; a full-time boys' work secretary has been added; the desk clerk department has been increased and two full-time custodians, have been added to insure twenty-four hours of janitorial service.

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SECRETARIES OF Y.M.C.A.'S TO HOLD MEET

Session To Be Held At Bordentown On July 5-9

7-1-39

NEW YORK, June 30—The annual Secretaries' Study Institute and National Laymen's conference of Young Men's Christian associations will be held at Bordentown, N. J., from July 5 to 9, inclusive, the Secretaries' Institute convening July 5 to 8, and the Laymen's Conference the 8 to 9.

The sessions will be held as usual on the campus of the Manual Training school, of which Dr. William R. Valentine is president.

Secretaries from all over the country will be in attendance at the Institute. Among the participants will be: Ralph W. Bullock and Channing H. Tobias of the national council; Campbell C. Johnson and Arthur A. Greene of Washington, D. C.; Warren R. Cochrane of New York City; Shad C. Jones of Cincinnati, Ohio; Boyd W. Overton of Wilmington, Del.; William H. Childs of Chicago, and Hilmer L. Jensen of Trenton, N. J.

The devotional exercises will be conducted by the Rev. A. F. Elmes, pastor of the People's Congregational church of Washington, D. C.

A unique feature of the institute will be the discussion of Y.M.C.A. work among women and girls, under the direction of Miss Henrinne Ward, secretary of the women's and girls' department of the Wabash avenue branch of Chicago.

The Laymen's Conference under the direction of President W. R. Valentine, chairman, and William Anderson of Baltimore, Md., secretary, will discuss the theme: "The Layman's Part in Building a Progressive Association."

Dr. Howard H. Long, assistant superintendent of public schools of the District of Columbia, and Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, dean of the school of religion of Howard university, will be among the prominent leaders.

The executive committee of the semi-centennial celebration will meet in connection with the conference to determine upon final plans for completing the Expansion Fund of $125,000, which is being raised to extend the services of the organization to underprivileged boys and students in the Southern Region.

Howard's Dean To Sail For Europe

7-1-39

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 30.—Benjamin E. Mays, dean of the school of religion, Howard university, sails for Europe on the Ile de France July 6. He will attend the executive session of the world committee of the Y.M.C.A. in Geneva July 13-18, and from Geneva he will attend the World's Youth Conference at Amsterdam, Holland, where he will serve as one of the experts in the Commission on Christianity and Race. Dean Mays plans to return on the Normandie or August 14.

Danville, Va., Bee
June 26, 1939

NEW Y.M.C.A. FOR COLORED OPENED HERE

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National Leader Is Heard in Address Observing Opening in Danville

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Dr. Channing H. Tobias of New York, senior secretary for colored work of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. was heard in an address yesterday afternoon at High Street Baptist Church in observance of the opening of the Watkin Thompson colored branch of the Y. M. C. A. at 333 North Union Street.

The building was thrown open to the public yesterday afternoon and evening, and was thronged with men, women, boys and girls, including some of Danville's white citizens interested in the new venture.

Much favorable comment was heard from visitors as they inspected the building, most of the furnishings in it having been donated by Danville merchants who are interested in giving the colored youth of the city a better opportunity in life. Gifts of furnishings were secured by Dr. James M. Shelburne and P. S. Broadnax, who expect to call on other merchants this week for further aid.

The building has been equipped with a bath room, with three showers, several game and club rooms, and will have space at the rear for volleyball and other outdoor games.

Secretaries and other visitors from the colored Y. M. C. A. branches in Roanoke, Lynchburg and Greensboro were present, two or three of whom spoke briefly, telling of their experiences in getting work started in their communities for colored men and boys, E. C. Raiford of Greensboro telling of the interest of one citizen there who has already made a gift of $50,000 for a new building, with an additional gift of $10,000 for equipment. All of these cities had started their work, it was stated, with less elaborate equipment than that in the Danville building.

Dr. Henry J. Langston, president of the Danville Y. M. C. A., spoke on behalf of the directors of the city asosciation, pledging the assistance and support of the "Y" directors and the community at large.

"For some time," said he, "the directors of the Y. M. C. A. have been thinking of the young men and boys of your race, and have been willing to help them, but they have waited for evidence that you want something done."

Speaking of the delinquency problem of America, Dr. Langston said: "We spend more money in America taking care of the delinquents then we do in supporting schools and colleges for our young men and women. These boys and girls who are giving so much trouble are not bad, they just got started wrong."

Others besides Dr. Langston and Dr. Tobias, who spoke at the meeting were Dr. Clyde A. Luck, president of the Danville Progressive League, who outlined the history of the movement in Danville, which started three years ago through the efforts of the Progressive League; M. C. Martin, who paid a tribute to the life and work of the late Watkin Thompson, one of Danville's most outstanding colored men in community and philanthropic enterprises, who gave much of his time and means to the support of needy colored persons, and J. H. Pittman, president of the branch, who presided over the meeting.

An interesting musical program was presented under direction of E. A. Gibson, principal of Westmoreland high school. Dr. Tobias was introduced by I. W. Taylor, principal of the Westmoreland grammar school. Invocations were pronounced by Dr. J. M. Shelburne and the Rev. C. Howard Owens, pastor of High Street Baptist Church. Plans for the membership work were outlined by the Rev. W. G. Anderson, chairman of the membership committee.

W. ELLIS STEWART IS VICE PRESIDENT NAT'L "Y" COUNCIL

High Honor Comes to Official of Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Co.

11-10-39

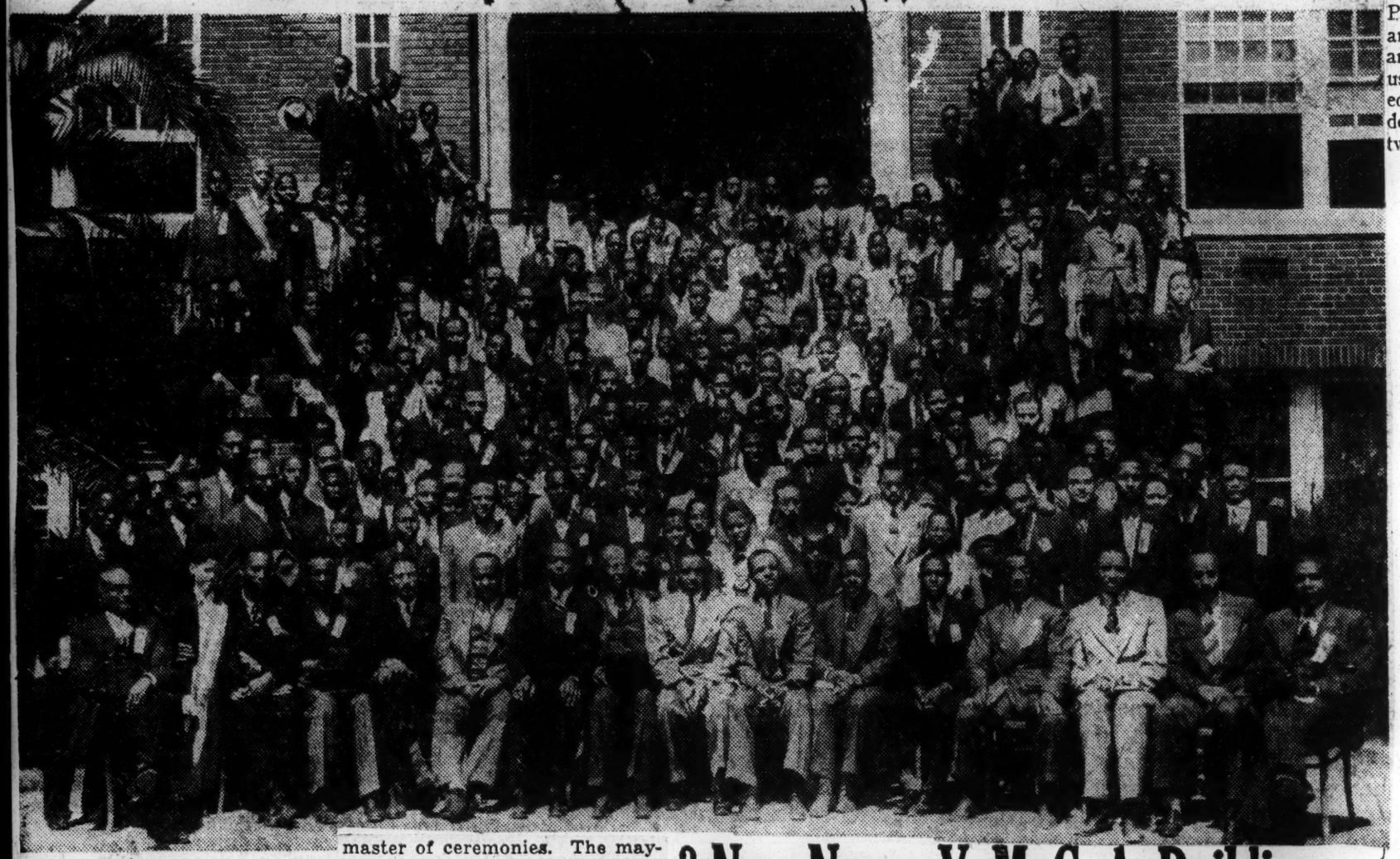
DETROIT, Nov. (W. Ellis Stewart, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Wabash Avenue YMCA of Chicago was elected third vice president of the National Council YMCA at the closing session of the four-day Convention of the Council, held at the Statler hotel, here last week. Ralph W. Harbison, president of the Pittsburgh City-wide YMCA was elected president of the National Council. Other officers elected were Merile C. Nutt, Moline, Ill., first vice-president, Gilbert T. Stephenson of Wilmington, Dela., second vice president, Frank S. Bailey, Seattle, Wash., fourth vice president, Ralph G. Cole of Honolulu, recording secretary, Charles L. Crumley of Boise, Idaho, assistant recording secretary.

At the opening of the first session of the Council, greetings were read from President Roosevelt and the Headquarters of the Army, Navy, and Marine stations in Washington.

Delegates to this Council came from all parts of the United States, Egypt, China, Japan, India, Hawaii, and Czecho-Slovakia. The National Council of the Young Men's Christian Association is made up of representatives of contituent YMCA's throughout North America, with fraternal delegates from all over the world. It is the policy making body of the Young Men's Christian Association.

In an interview with Mr. Stewart, concerning his election, he said that he was entirely unprepared for the honor as no one had approached him on the matter, and it was a pleasant surprise that he was nominated and elected to the position Mr. Stewart is secretary of the Supreme Liberty Life Insurance company of Chicago.

SOUTHERN OLDER BOYS HOLD CONFERENCE IN TEXAS



The Southern Division of the Older Boys' Conference held its 18th Annual Conference in Beaumont, Tex., with the Neches Y. M. C. A., as host recently. The Conference was well represented with delegates from as far north as Oklahoma. All of the sessions were held at the Charlton Pollard High School. The first sessions were group discussions, after which the secretaries from the various groups gave a report of the high points of each discussion.

The afternoon session began at 3 with the National Council Secretary, Mr. R. W. Bullock speaking on the Conference theme, "Count Me as a Partner." Rev. H. W. Murph of Prairie View College spoke on the meaning and use of prayer. Friday evening marked the opening for the local committee to welcome the various delegates. The local program committee was headed by J. H. Marion who was the master of ceremonies. The mayor of the city was represented by Mr. Burthler, who gave welcome on behalf of the city. The other welcomes came from the local association, churches, clubs, both white and colored and the civic organizations. The principal address was delivered by the Dr. C. F. L. Grahman, pastor of the congregational church of the city who opened the theme of the conference, "Count Me as a Partner." Saturday was the second session with the election of the nominees for offices. Discussions were held and athletic events also. The after found sightseeing tours and tea party at the Y. W. C. A. After a banquet sponsored by the A. K. A. Sorority, the delegates were the guests at a party in their honor under the entertainment committee of the conference, which was sponsored by the Phalanx Fraternity. Over three hundred were in attendance with the music being furnished by a special electric victrola.

3 New Negro Y. M. C. A. Buildings Under Construction In The East; Two To Be Dedicated This Month

America's best protection against the importation of new racial and religious hatreds to this country is the cooperation of Jews and white Christians with the Negro in his struggles for advancement, maintains Dr. Channing H. Tobias, senior secretary of the National Y. M. C. A. Colored Department, in announcing the construction of three new Y. M. C. A.'s in the East, two of which will be dedicated this month.

These include the $365,000 building given by Caesar Cone, 2nd, a Jewish manufacturer in Greensboro, N. C.; the Community Y. M. C. A. in Princeton, N. J., erected by the joint efforts of white and colored people and the $365,000 building, just completed in Wilmington, Del. by Fletcher Brown.

In connection with these gifts, Dr. Tobias said: "Of late there has been a growing attempt to import new racial and religious hatreds to this country. Men like Caesar Cone, H. Fletcher Brown and the late Julius Rosenwald, who fought racial barriers in helping those who have long been the victims of prejudice and discrimination here at home, give America her best front against foreign isms."

Greensboro, N. C., will dedicate its new Y. M. C. A. at an early date. Mr. Cone gave this building in honor of two employees who had worked faithfully for his family for 38 years. The building, costing $65,000, will serve women and girls as well as men and boys.

The second building to be dedicated is the Community Y in Princeton, N. J. This is the first Negro Y in the country with separate quarters for the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A.

Construction is under way in Wilmington, Del., for its new $365,000 Y. M. C. A. given by H. Fletcher Brown, wealthy banker. Like the Princeton building, there will be separate quarters for the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. with each having use of the swimming pool, athletic equipment and musical facilities under separate staffs provided by the two organizations.

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Birmingham, Ala News
February 2, 1939

CLUB TO PRESENT DR. MAX YERGAN

The Periclean Club, a stud group, announces its annual forur to be held Feb. 10 at the Sixteent Street Baptist Church when Dr Max Yergan, a member of the In ternational Committee of the Y. M C. A. in South Africa, will be pre sented.

Before going to South Africa, Dr Yergan spent several years travel ing, studying and working in Indi and East Africa. He was given the Harmon award in recignition of his social work in South Africa, and also, in 1933, was awarded the Spingarn medal on the basis of his inter-racial work in South Africa.

Each year at the close of Negro History Week, the Periclean Club presents to the Birmingham public some outstanding person. Last year William C. Handy was speaker at the annual forum.

Chattanooga, Tenn. News
February 17, 1939

$12,000 Wanted For Wheatley Branch Y. M. C. A.

Plans for a campaign to raise funds for the erection of a new Phyllis Wheatley colored branch of the Y. W. C. A. were discussed at a luncheon meeting of the committee Thursday at the association building. A goal of $12,000 was set for the campaign to be held February 27 to March 4. The site of the new building is now held in clear title by the Y. W. C. A., and is located at the corner of East Eighth and Magnolia Street.

The board of managers of the colored branch has already pledged $500 and colored leaders are enthusiastic in their support. There will be no concerted drive for members of the main Y. W. C. A. this year, all efforts being centered on the Wheatley building fund campaign. Ten teams will be formed for the drive, and will be aided by a big gifts committee composed of twenty-five members.

Mrs. L. E. Minton is chairman of the board for the Phyllis Wheatley branch, and members of her committee are Mesdames W. E. Brock, Joseph W. Johnson and Gilbert Harris. Dr. Lin D. Cartwright, a member of the interracial committee, is adviser of the committee. Talks were made at Thursday's meeting by Dr. Cartwright, who commended the colored people for their feeling of responsibility for the movement and for their initiative when confronted with the problem of raising money, and by Dr. James L. Fowle, who advised on plans for the organization of the campaign and commended the people of Chattanooga for their generosity and expressed his expectation that such a sound cause would call forth a large response.

Those present at the meeting were Dr. Fowle, Dr. Cartwright, Mesdames W. E. Brock, J. E. W. Fields, M. W. Brabham, Fred Ballard, Raymond Murphy, Allen Lupton, Paul Johnson, C. A. Byles and William S. Keese, Jr., and Misses Ruth Emerson and Willie Coleman.

Charlotte, N. C. Observer
February 19, 1939

EGRO BRANCH OF Y. M. TO HEAR TWO SPEAKERS

The colored branch of the Y. M. C. A. will meet this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the association building at 416 East Second street. The speakers will be Rev. M. L. Zimmerman, pastor of Mount Prospect Baptist church of Rock Hill, S. C., and Dr. P. E. Craig, medical doctor of the city. Local quartets will sing. The public is invited.

Secretary Arthur Anderson announced that the weekly open forum meeting will be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. building. The public is invited.

Memphis Tenn. Com'rcial Appeal
February 21, 1939

Negro Band Planned

A 45-piece band for negro boys will be organized by the Y. M. C. A. at Lemoyne College, Eugene Thomas, branch secretary, announced yesterday. Applicants must furnish instruments and music. The "Y" will furnish instructor, hall and uniforms.

St. Petersburg Fla., Times
April 2, 1939

Negro Swim Classes

A "Learn to Swim" campaign is to be held for negro youths in the city if present plans materialize, according to YMCA officials. A definite date has not been set.

Chattanooga Tenn., Daily Times
March 31, 1939

Y.M.C.A. PLANS TO CELEBRATE BUILDING DATE

Pioneers' Night Dinner April 27 Will Open Thirtieth Anniversary Program

The Young Men's Christian association will observe this spring the thirtieth anniversary of the opening of its Central building and the start of its expanded work for boys and young men, Creed F. Bates, president, announced yesterday.

The anniversary celebration will begin on the evening of April 27 with a Pioneers' Night dinner at the Hotel Patten in honor of those who have served or are serving the Y. M. C. A. as officers, directors and members, the president said.

At the dinner, the board of directors will be hosts to the approximately ninety persons still living in Chattanooga who have served the organization in the presidency and other offices and on the board of directors. Among those who will be honored is J. B. Milligan who was general secretary from 1884 through 1890.

Committee Appointed

A committee was appointed yesterday to arrange the celebration. It is composed of W. C. Johnson, chairman; R. G. Brock, George H. Patten, S. Bartow Strang, with Mr. Bates and A. M. Pennybacker, general secretary, as members ex-officio.

The Central building, at 812 Georgia avenue, was the first building occupied by Chattanooga's Y. M. C. A., which had been built for Y. M. C. A. purposes. Up to then, the Y. M. C. A. had been housed in buildings which it had adapted to its use.

Built at a cost of about $160,000, including the site, the Central building was dedicated Jan. 31, 1909. The dedicatory address was by the late bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Tennessee, the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Gailor.

Those who have served the Y. M. C. A. as president in the thirty-year period are Raymond Wallace, who was president when the Central building was opened; John A. Patten, May, 1909, through 1913; W. E. Brock, 1914; Claudius H. Huston, 1915; Robert C. Jones, 1916; S. Bartow Strang, 1917-19; R. G. Brock, 1920; George H. Patten, 1921-23; F. C. Bickers, 1924-25; Walter P. Coolidge, 1926-30; George H. Patten, 1931; W. C. Johnson, 1932; Henry King, 1933-34, and Creed F. Bates, the incumbent, since 1935.

Pennybacker Secretary Since 1921

General secretaries in the thirty years have been Truman L. McGill, 1905-10; C. A. Tevebaugh, 1911-14; R. D. Williams, 1915-18; for the next two years the Y. M. C. A. was administered by acting secretaries, Dr. C. W. Kelley in 1919 and E. G. Woolwine in 1920, until A. M. Pennybacker, the incumbent, began his service in 1921.

Although the anniversary which the Y. M. C. A. will celebrate next month is the thirtieth, the Y. M. C. A. has been at work in Chattanooga sixty-eight years. It began in 1871, with George Monteith as president; W. H. Pratt and John G. Rawlings as vice-presidents; J. S. Wiltse as secretary and T. F. Stewart as treasurer. For two years it had no home of its own and met in churches.

In 1873 it took its first rented quarters, at 735 Market street, over Frye & Williamson's store. That was before the city's public library was established. The Y. M. C. A. devoted its first headquarters to a library and reading rooms.

In 1882 the organization moved to quarters at Eighth and Market streets over Geismar's store, and there set up its first gymnasium. Two years later its earliest large development began when J. B Milligan became general secretary; the Y. M. C. A. moved to a building on the east side of Market street over the hardware store of Fillmore Gibson and Gordon Lee, and began for the first time to do boys' work. In 1886 the Y. M. C. A. moved to larger quarters, taking two floors in the Adams block, on Eighth street, between Cherry and Georgia avenue. Four years later it moved to a building at the present location of the Ferger apartments, on McCallie avenue, whence it removed to the present Central Y. M. C. A. building in 1909.

In the thirty years since the Central building was opened, the Y. M. C. A. has built its industrial branch, at 1517 Mitchell avenue, opened in 1930; has developed Camp Ocoee, a camp for boys; has opened the James A. Henry branch for Negroes, at 124½ Ninth street, and has developed McCallie field, at the McCallie school and has taken over the operation of McCallie lake.

Knoxville Tenn. Journal
May 4, 1939

To Draft Plans For Negro YMCA

Following an organization meeting Monday at the Carnegie Library, a group of Negro citizens will discuss additional plans for a Negro YMCA here at a meeting May 15.

Officers of a committee to draft plans for the Negro YMCA are Frank Smith, president; Ralph McAdo, vice-president; Jesse W. Lynch, secretary, and A. H. Spears, treasurer.

Speakers attending the first meeting were Coach E. H. Lennan, of Austin High School; Dr J. H. Presnell and T. R. Davis, Austin principal.

COLORED YMCA NIGHT SCHOOL IS GIVEN HIGH PRAISE FOR COURSE

The Colored Y. M. C. A. School of Nashville has been indeed fortunate in securing the services of Rev. J. T. Ridley as director of this institution, as well as Mrs. J. T. Ridley as Associate Director. The teachers and faculty of this institution are all well qualified for the duties required of them, all being graduates from colleges and universities, and whose moral qualities are without reproach.

Rev. Ridley has indeed been very fortunate in having a corps of assistants having all of the qualifications necessary to conduct a school of this character.

Thanks are due to Mr. Hardison, Supervisor of the Adult Education in Nashville, in furnishing the services of Prof. P. Bartolini. He has done a good work and still is doing it. Prof. Bartolini is especially to be praised for his untiring efforts in the work he is doing for illiterate races.

Greensboro, N. C., News
May 7, 1939

WORK SOON TO BEGIN ON NEGRO Y. M. C. A.

Contract For $60,000 Structure Given By Cone Goes to Kane.

Work on a modern negro Young Men's Christian association building at the corner of Mitchell and East Market streets is scheduled to begin immediately, it was announced yesterday following a meeting of the building committee of the Greensboro Y. M. C. A. and a representative committee of the Jesse Moorland branch.

The gift of Caesar Cone, 2d, the new structure will cost approximately $60,000. A campaign among negro citizens for raising $5,000, the purchase price of the building lot has just been completed, this being their voluntary contribution to the program.

Kane Given Contract.

George W. Kane, Greensboro contractor, has been awarded the general contract for the three-story brick structure. Heating contract was awarded W. H. Sullivan company, and the plumbing contract, Crutchfield Plumbing company. The building contracts aggregated $50,427, including the general plumbing and heating divisions, but exclusive of equipment.

General plans for the building were designed by Leon McMinn, of the W. C. Holleyman, Jr., office. It is being built as a memorial to two faithful negro workers of the Cone family, Sallie Hayes, who was family cook for 38 years prior to her death five years ago, and Andrew Taylor, who has been serving the family for the past 38 years and is still active.

The building will be of simplified Georgian design, of red brick. It will be approximately 65 by 76 feet and arranged for future additions. It will be modernistic, fireproof with architectural steel casements for the first floor and double heavy steel sash for the second and third floors.

Present plans call for lobbies for men, boys and women with all modern facilities, including banquet halls, club rooms, social rooms, offices, locker rooms, showers, toilets and dormitory rooms.

No provision is being made at present for a gymnasium, but plans call for addition of that unit in the future.

The first floor will provide space for offices, lobbies, social rooms, showers and locker rooms. The second floor will include banquet halls, class rooms and kitchen, and the third floor will be devoted to dormitory space.

Calhoun, Ga., Times
May 18, 1939

"PROBLEMS OF THE NEGRO YOUTH" SKETCHED AT JUNIOR TRI-HI-Y

That you should share Christ with the negro was brought out in the discussion at the regular weekly meeting of the Junior Tri-Hi-Y. Problems that the negro youth today are facing were analyzed.

Poverty is one of the problems that negro youth have to contend with. They usually receive pay at a lower wage scale and 75 per cent of the workers are engaged in unskilled or semi-skilled labor. Poverty deprives youth of education and denies them proper food and living conditions, factors which sap ambition and ability to rise.

Lack of opportunity is closely connected with poverty. The negro boy or girl meets the problems of lesser educational advantages. He may not be able to use the training he is able to get. This leads up to lack of leadership. Like all young people negro young people are looking for leaders who can help them find their place in the world.

Although some old prejudices are being broken through, in all parts of the nation to some extent, the negro must meet the very real problem of prejudice. Racial discrimination causes the negro to have to do as well as others and better to achieve any recognition.

Those who are serving Christ should be informed and open-minded, have a Christian attitude toward the race, and attack the problems existing in their own community.

250 HEAR ALD. DOUGLAS AT ANNUAL BOY SCOUT DINNER

Over 250 South Siders and friends of Douglas Division Boy Scouts of America left the Palais des Gardes last Wednesday night fired with enthusiasm, many of them expressing a determination to join the small band of workers, pioneers in promoting the boy scout movement on the South Side.

They had attended the annual dinner given by Douglas Division and listened to Prof. Paul H. Douglas, of the University of Chicago, progressive alderman of the 5th Ward, emphasize the importance of the boy scout organization. They heard the annual report and witnessed an inspiring tableau by members of the community's boy scout troops.

Honor guests were representatives of the city's civic, political, religious and educational circles. Among them were: Wendell E. Green, representing Mayor Edward J. Kelly; Alderman Earl B. Dickerson, Col. William J. Warfield, C. J. Carlson, regional executive of the boy scout organization; W. Arthur McKinney, executive of the Chicago Council, Boy Scouts of American; Judge William Holley, Father Bruno Drescher, St. Elizabeth's; Father Samuel J. Martin, St. Edmunds; Mrs. Ruth M. Jackson, principal of Colman school and John Meegan, principal of Willard.

Atty. William K. Hooks, chairman of Douglas' leadership training committee, introduced Alderman Douglas, who contrasted America's boy scout movement which has for its purpose the preparation of youth for leadership in a democracy, to the compulsory program of militarism facing youth in Europe.

"Youth from the cradle to manhood are taught to take their place on the field of battle," Alderman Douglas stated. "Babes of four train with wooden gns, boys of 12 drill with bayonets. Here in America we have an organization which promotes, instead, the ideals of peace; which makes good useful citizens—not fodder for cannons.

"It is our duty, therefore, to support the Boy Scouts of America, an organization which builds strong bodies and sound characters," he added.

The annual report of Douglas Division, outlining the work of the organization in its relation to Negro youth, was read by Dr. William H. Benson, district executive. Dr. Benson traced the growth of the Division from barely 500 in 1934 to 1,400 at the present time.

Its program now comprises 51 units composed of cub packs, scout troops and sea scout ships. Sea scouts include youth from 15 to 20. In 1935 Douglas' Woman's auxiliary was organized under the chairmanship of Mrs. Charlemae Rollins for the purpose of helping the executive committee make the boy scout program available to a larger number of Negro boys.

Following Dr. Benson's report, Atty. Sidney P. Brown, chairman of Douglas' executive committee, introduced the new officers for 1940. Committee chairmen are: Frederick L. Parker, activities; Marcus Mahone, camping; Dr. Howard B. Shepard, commissioners; Dr. Albert S. Beckham, advancement; Thomas M. Clarke, cubbing; Charles D. Murray, finance; S. B. Danley, organization; William K. Hooks, leadership training. Dr. Shephard then introduced guests at the speakers' table.

In expressing his appreciation for the support of the public, and the enthusiastic way they had responded to the division's plea for cooperation, Dr. Benson paid special tribute to members of the Woman's auxiliary through whose efforts the largest attendance record of any banquet in the community was shattered.

Especially did he commend Mesdames Adah Henderson, at whose table were seated 20; Ethel Jones, who was hostess to 18 and Marion Baxter, who was joined by 15 guests. "The Woman's auxiliary of Douglas Division is due much credit for the success of our annual dinner," Attorney Brown added. Members of the auxiliary are:

Mesdames Maud Allen, Marion Baxter, Bessie Benson, Mary Boykins, Vivian Brown, Eugenia Burns, Harriet Davis, Clara Greene, Adah Henderson, Dorothy Hooks, Ethel Jones, Susie Long, Willie Murray, Josephine Randolph, and Beatrice Willis.

Roanoke, Va., World News
December 15, 1939

Colored Boy Scout Accorded Life Rank

Eugene Williams was advanced to Life rank and also received a merit badge for Safety at a court-of-honor last night at Fifth avenue Presbyterian church for colored Boy Scout troop 101. J. Henry Claytor, assisted by District Commissioner L. A. Lee, presided over the court.

Other advancements were: Walter Coleman, first class; Lowell Jordan, Willie Martin and Theodore Mason, second class; and Marcellus Hayes, Melvis Hooper, Lloyd Hicks, Otis Johnson and Morris Samples, tenderfoot.

Chicago Youth Week to Be Observed April 17-24; Will Aid Out-of-School, Out-of-Work Youth of Neighborhood

Out-of-school, out-of-work youth in all Chicago neighborhoods will be given the spotlight of attention this week by the National Youth Administration when Chicago Youth Week (April 17-24) will be observed, said William J. Campbell, state NYA director, in a statement issued early this week.

Featuring the observance will be four Youth Occupational conferences to be held at central neighborhood points to assist Chicago youths in solving their job problems. Plans for the South Side conference, which was held at the Wabash Avenue Y. M. C. A., 3763 South Wabash avenue, Wednesday (April 19), at 9 a. m., were completed last week.

Employers, vocational experts, civic leaders and community agencies cooperated with the NYA in conducting the conference, presenting to youth the more likely opportunities in industry; requirements needed for potential jobs and to indicate desirable technique in seeking employment. A dramatization, "Who Gets The Job?" and a motion picture, "What About Jobs?" was presented to the audience of young men and girls.

"Employers are recognizing the fact," said Mr. Campbell, "that every material advantages accrue to their organizations in having a stable personnel. As a result there is a growing tendency to hire only those individuals who meet very definite specifications for an available job. The conferences are intended to aid youth not only in a better appreciation of job opportunities but also in a knowledge of how to seek and apply for these opportunities."

The program for the South Side conference follows:

Morning session—Miss Pauline Redmond, Chicago Urban League, chairman; afternoon session—Rodger Wilson, South Parkway office Illinois State Employment Service; panel discussion, "Qualities Employers Look for in Job Seekers", led by Rodger Wilson, with W. Ellis Stewart, vice-president, Supreme Liberty Life Insurance company; Wendell E. Greene, Chicago Civil Service Commission, and Richard L. Jones, superintendent, South Center Department Store; "Community Resources for Aiding Youths in Getting Jobs", A. L. Foster, Chicago Urban League; panel discussion, "What Jobs Are Available and Where They Are," Howard D. Gould, Chicago Urban League, and S. B. Danley, manager, South Parkway I. S. E. S. office; Youth symposium "Difficulties I Have Encountered in Securing Jobs", conducted by Mrs. Helen Howard, South Parkway Y. W. C. A.; symposium "Methods We Used in Securing Jobs," conducted by Eugene Turner, Chicago Urban League.

The cooperating advisory committee is comprised of the following: chairman, Richard J. Jones South Center Department Store K. Bristol, Madden park; Earl Bassett, Washington Park; Mrs. Helen Howard, South Parkway Y. W C. A.; George Arthur, Miss Henrine Ward and James Bodie, Wabash Avenue Y. M. C. A.; Robert Walker, Illinois Home and Aid Society; Charles Johnson, Inter-Council of Clubs; Miss Vivian Harsh, and Miss Ellen Askins, George Cleveland Hall Library; Mrs. Marcella Walker Ricks, Oakland Library; Rodger Wilson, Illinois State Employment Service; Eugene Turner and Miss Pauline Redmond, Chicago Urban League, and Charles Dawson and Joe Jefferson, National Youth Administration.

To awaken youth consciousness to the value of building and preserving healthy bodies and minds, the NYA in cooperation with the Tuberculosis Institute of Chicago and Cook county, held Health Day Tuesday, April 18, in the Merchandise Mart. Talks, a health motion picture, and administration of skin tests to youths desiring them, were features of the program.

Five special radio programs prepared by the NYA on the plans and purposes of Chicago Youth Week and to serve as inspiration to youth will be broadcast during the week.

YOUTH COUNCIL

Chicago Youth Council of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will hold it's second citizenship meeting at the Mme. C. J. Walker college at 47th and South Parkway at 8:30.

The topic for discussion will be "The Ballot, But What of the Future."

The ultimate hope for the democratic form of government lies in the enlightened electorate exercising his citizenship rights during the interim between elections. To the youth citizens of our community, it is not only necessary but imperative that the campaign promises be fulfilled where the issues effect youth.

All young people are urged to be present and participate in this discussion.

Madden Park To Hold Series Of Events In Celebration of Youth Week, Athletics, Dramas Planned

A series of events will be held at Madden Park, 3800 Rhodes avenue, in celebration of Youth Week, according to K. A. Bristol, Park Supervisor. Beginning Monday, April 17, the Madden Park Girls' club presented their annual Spring Demonstration under the direction of Ruth Reese. A matinee show of the demonstration was given at 4 p. m. with grammar school pupils as honored guests. At 8 p. m. they had as honored guests the parents and leading citizens of the community.

On Tuesday, April 18, the Girl's Annual Demonstration was continued with high school students as honored guests, and members of the Park Adult clubs. Community singing, rhythm band numbers by the afternoon play group, modern folk and tap dancing, free exercise and dumbbell drills were features of the program.

On Wednesday, April 19, the Madden Park Boys' club conducted an indoor track meet beginning at 7:30 p. m. The different aged groups participated in the running high jump, standing broad jump, 10 yard sprints, 25 yard shuttle relay and medicine ball shot put. Prizes were awarded to the winners in each event. M. H. Christian was in charge. The Girls' club also had a community-wide Table Tennis Tournament for midgets, juniors, intermediates, and seniors, the winner of each vieing with one another to determine the champion of champions

Thursday, April 20, 7:30 p. m will be observed as Madden Park community night. A one-act play entitled "The heir gets the Air' will be presented as well as a varied Amateur contest. The candidates for Mayor of Madden Park will be given an opportunity to speak in behalf of the election Other candidates for various offices of Madden Park Boys' Town will be on the program.

On Friday evening, April 21, the Madden Park Boys' club will bring their campaign to a close with the election of the Mayor of Madden Park also City Clerk and Prosecuting Attorney. The "polls" will be open from 2:00 p. m. to 10:00 p. m. An Achievement banquet for the girls will be given at 6 p. m. in the Madden Park Banquet Hall followed by social dancing in the Girls' gymnasium of the fieldhouse at 8 p. m.

The week's Activities will be brought to a close on Saturday, April 22, with a Roller Skating meet beginning at 2 p. m. Boys and girls of age divisions ranging from 8 to 13 years will participate in the following events: 50 yard dash, 100 and 200 yard relays, chain races and fancy skating contests. Prizes will be awarded to winners.

Savannah, Ga., Press
April 26, 1939

COLORED BOY SCOUT TROOP IS FORMED

A fourth Boy Scout troop composed of colored youths has been organized under auspices of Chatham Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. The troop No. 150, is sponsored by St. Benedict's Church.

Paul Steele is scoutmaster, and James Freeman is the assistant.

Chairman of the troop committee is Alonzo Davis, and other members include W. J. Smith, Moses Mayne, Ed Smith, Lewis Mungin, Nelson J. King and Isaac Dowse.

Scouts enrolled are Frank Best, Edgar Champher, Richard James, Charles Johnson, Causlle Mock, Tomie Moore, Romano Remigno, Felix Villarin, William Washington, Harry Williams, Herman Williams, King Solomon and Walter Reddick.

To Lead Newspaper Week Celebration

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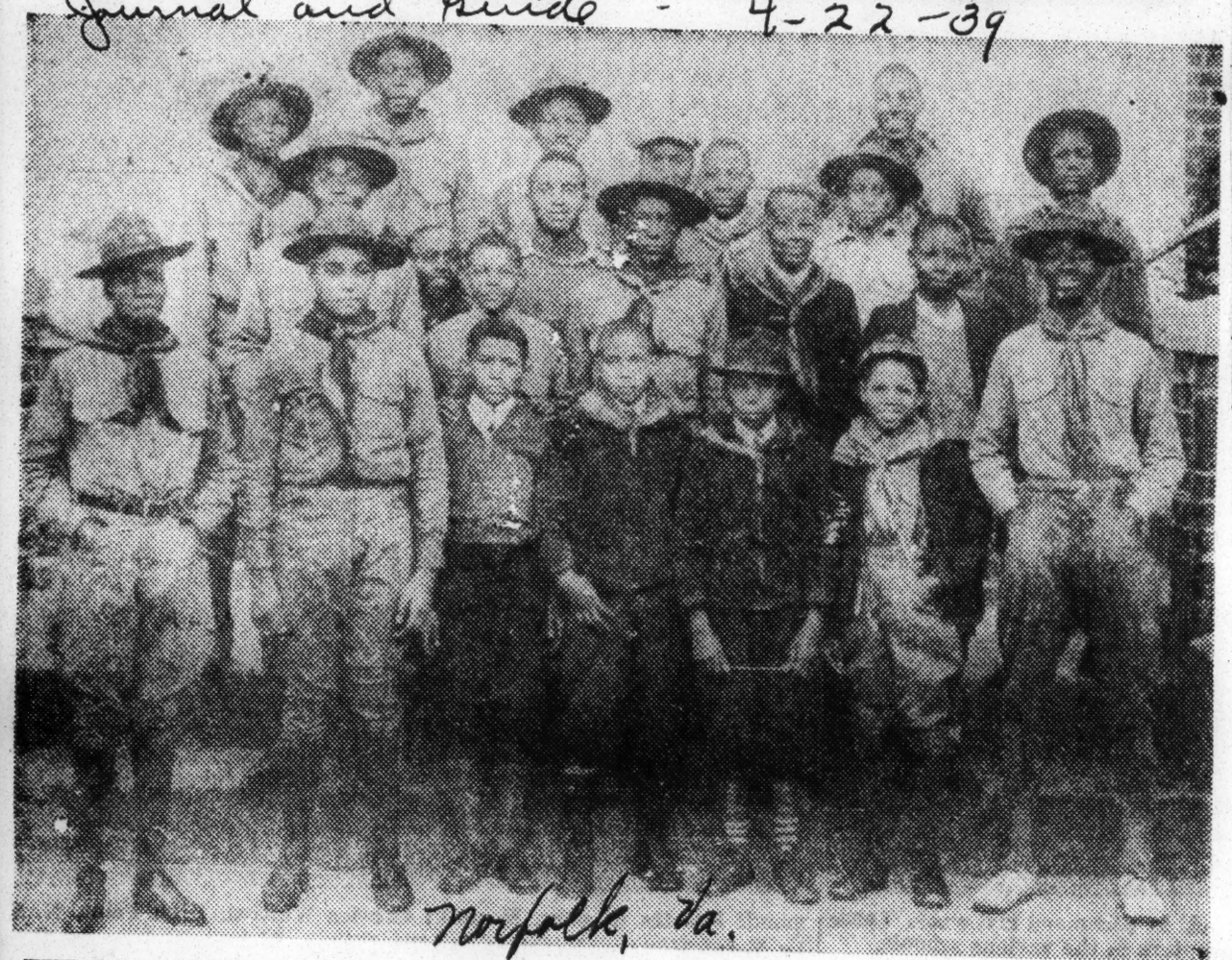

Norfolk, Va.

THE BOY SCOUTS of Petersburg, Va. will take the lead in the Petersburg celebration of Negro Newspaper Week to be held in May. These youths are interested in the promotion of Negro newspapers and in journalism in general.

This clipping from
Spartanburg S. C.
Herald
April 21, 1939

NEGRO SCOUTING PROGRAM PUSHED

National Official to Pay Visit Here to Study Plans for Work

Plans for negro Boy Scouts in the Palmetto council will be materially advanced here next Monday and Tuesday, when A. J. Taylor, national assistant director of inter-racial activities, Boy Scouts of America, will visit Spartanburg and Chester.

Three troops have been formed in Spartanburg and two in Chester, with district committees in each county.

Mr. Taylor will be in Chester Monday, where he will hold a meeting of troop committee members and troop leaders.

Mondoy night, he will conduct a public meeting, when the two Chester troops will be installed and tenderfoot ranks given to scouts.

Spartanburg Meets

Tuesday at noon, Mr. Taylor will speak to the Spartanburg Negro Ministerial association. At 6 o'clock in the evening he will speak to troop leaders at the Silver Hill Methodist church.

A public meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m. at the church and all negro scouts and their parents are requested to be present. The three Spartanburg troops will be installed and the scouts invested in the tenderfoot rank.

Following the public meeting, Mr. Taylor will discuss plans for the coming year with the district committee.

A. J. Taylor, national assistant director of inter-racial activities, visited Spartanburg and surrounding communities early this week to discuss plans for the negro program.

Two negro troops already have been organized in the district, both in Spartanburg, bringing the total up to five at the present.

Spartan Troop

The Walker Memorial Methodist church of Spartanburg has reorganized its troop and Alec Miller has been appointed scoutmaster. Willie Reeves is assisting him.

Rev. C. C. Price, pastor of the church, is chairman of the troop committee. Others on the committee include David Wilson and J. S. Woodward. The troop has eight members.

Two of the new troops are in Chester.

Troop No. 90 is being sponsored by the Calvary Baptist negro church of Chester and W. H. Atkinson is scoutmaster. He is being assisted by Harold Spann.

The troop committee consists of S. L. Finley, chairman, and A. D. Hardin and M. T. Coker. The troop has 16 members.

Troop No. 91 is being sponsored by the Metropolitan A. M. E. church and Wyman Johnson is scoutmaster. He is being assisted by H. L. Foster.

The troop committee consists of C. E. Leathers, chairman, and John H. Washington, Rev. J. W. Monony and L. S. Brian. The troop has nine members.

The Chester negro district committee follows: S. L. Finley, chairman; C. E. Leathers, organization and extension; A. D. Hardin, advancement; Dr. J. S. Allen, health and safety; D. H. Babcock, camping and activities, and L. S. Brown, finance.

E. B. Hallman is chairman of the local inter-racial committee.

The Spartanburg district committee is composed of M. E. Harris, chairman, and J. S. Simpson, J. W. Brinn, M. K. Mukeldoff, J. S. Woodward, E. A. Robinson, Dr. W. S. Douglas, C. C. Woodson, Dr. J. B. Walker, Rev. J. S. Daniel, Rev. C. D. Price, Rev. P. M. Wingo.

Spartanburg, S. C. Herald
April 27, 1939

NEGRO BOY SCOUT UNITS CHARTERED

Palmetto Council Maps Plan to Continue Activity Among Negroes

Charters have been received for three new negro Boy Scout troops in the Palmetto district and plans are being made to form others in the near future.

corner of Bedford avenue, and the Brooklyn office of The New York Age. The party will be held Saturday morning, October 21st.

Local scoutmasters and pastors of churches in the Stuyvesant-Bedford area were unanimous in their praise of the program and promised their cooperation to the fullest extent.

Manager Benjamin Kemick of the Regent Theatre promised that all efforts being put forward to give the scouts a show of their lifetime. The Regent has for the last several years made it a policy to present the best in Negro shows, stage and screen, and is one of the few institutions of the borough which voluntarily hired a staff which is completely colored.

A parade scheduled to begin at 11:30 in the morning, will form in front of the Brooklyn Branch Office of The Age. The exact line of march will be outlined in next week's issue of this paper. Featured on the bill will be the very appropriate film "Out West With The Hardys", starring Mickey Rooney and the inimitable Judge Hardy and his family. The show at the theatre will begin at noon.

SCOUT PARTY GETS PRAISE

Boro Scoutmasters Are Enthusiastic About Age Jamboree For Scouts

"Your theatre party for Brooklyn scouts is one of the best things that could ever happen to this community. We need more projects like that to do away with some of the less pleasant things we see."

This was the appraisal of a high ranking borough police official voiced in the presence of an Age reporter last Monday when he was informed of the gala theatre party being planned for five hundred Negro scouts by the Regent Theatre, Fulton street

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Chattanooga, Tenn., Free Press
February 26, 1939

National Interracial Scout Chief To Discuss Chattanooga Plans

Program to Be Bared at Committee Meet Here Tuesday

A program for Negro Boy Scouts of the city will be discussed Tuesday by Stanley A. Harris, national director of interracial activities of the Boy Scouts of America, at a meeting of the Chattanooga interracial committee, headed by W. G. Foster, chairman.

The visitor will meet with Negro scout commissioners and leaders Tuesday night.

U. C. GRADUATE.

Mr. Harris, who is a graduate of the University of Chattanooga, has had wide experience in Y. M. C. A. and Boy Scout work. From 1903 to 1907 he engaged in commercial activities at Lexington, Ky., and in the latter year became general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Frankfort, Ky.

He organized a Boy Scout troop in 1908 and became its scoutmaster under the aegis of British Scout Authority, scouting not having been organized at that time in America.

Soon after scouting was organized in the United States in 1910, he applied to the National Council of Boy Scouts of America for recognition and was commissioned as scoutmaster in August of that year.

In 1912 he became state boys' work secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for Kentucky, resigning his scoutmastership, and was commissioned a special field scout commissioner by the National Council.

PROMOTED IN 1917.

In this capacity he served until 1917, when he became national field commissioner, with headquarters at Richmond, Va. The following year he was scout executive at Washington, D. C., for a time, and in September, 1918, he was transferred to Memphis as national field executive in charge of work in 14 states of the South and Southwest.

In 1922 he was made assistant national field director and in 1926 became national director of interracial activities, an important branch of the work of the Boy Scouts of America.

STANLEY A. HARRIS
National Director of Inter-Racial Activities, Boy Scouts of America

The local committee, in addition to Mr. Foster, is composed of Dr. R. G. Sherrer, Bernard E. Loveman, Dr. W. B. Harris and James L. Jenkins.

Spartanburg S. C. Herald
March 3, 1939

CHESTER NEGRO SCOUTS ORGANIZE

Three Troops to Apply for Charters Within Next Few Days

Completion of a 60-day training course for negro Boy Scout leaders of the Chester district and tentative plans for organization of three negro scout troops in that district were announced here yesterday by Charles Lea, scout executive of the Palmetto council, of which the Chester district is a part.

Application for charters is expected from the three negro troops now being organized within the next few days, Mr. Lea said.

An attendance of about 20 potential scout leaders marked the training course, conducted by Mr. Lea and by Thomas Bryant, assistant council executive.

Plans for organization of negro scouting in the Chester district have progressed at a rapid rate in recent months, and Mr. Lea said yesterday that a district committee for supervision of the program will

Savannah Ga. News
March 16, 1939

FOUR COLORED BOY SCOUTS ADVANCED

Four colored Boy Scouts were awarded their second class rank last night at a court of honor held in the First African Baptist Church. R. H. Gadsden, chairman, presided. The inter-racial committee on scouting held a meeting prior to the court, and discussed the organization of two more colored troops. One would be sponsored by the Asbury Methodist Church, and the other by the Butler Presbyterian Church. John Delaware presided at the inter-racial meeting.

Lexington N. C. Dispatch
April 10, 1939

Scout Leader

A. J. Taylor

A. J. Taylor, assistant to the national director of inter-racial activities, Boy Scouts of America, will visit Lexington Wednesday and Thursday of this week for conferences on Scout work among the colored boys. Negro ministers will meet with Director Taylor Wednesday morning and he will meet troop leaders at 7 p. m. the same day. Inter-racial Scout activities in Lexington and Uwharrie Council are under the direction of Cabell Philpott, Jr.

Raleigh Scouts Hold Honor Court, St. Aug.

Special to Journal and Guide

RALEIGH, N. C.—The Raleigh Negro District Boy Scout Committee held its fourth court of honor for the year at the Taylor Hall of St. Augustine's College, April 3, with troop 56 as host.

The court was presided over by Zack Ellis, district scout commissioner and Dr. R. P. Daniel, president of the council. The court opened with Scoutmaster Eisley in charge.

Troop honors were won by troop 52 of First Baptist Church. The following boys were advanced to secnd class rank: Troop 51, James Joyner; Troop 52, Otis Dunbar; Richard Wimberly, William Smith; Troop 56, William Spence, Willie Bridgers; Troop 57, Wayland Horton, Paul Webb, Haywood Gatlin, and Bennett Cooke. In troop inspection, contest, and activities, Troop 52 won. Second place went to Troop 51.

Raleigh Scouts Owe Existence To Zack Ellis

Journal and Guide
Starting In 1937, City Now Boasts Five Crack Troops

By LOUISE B. SIMMONS

RALEIGH, N. C.—Scouting in Raleigh owes its rise to Zack Ellis who was instrumental in forming the first colored troop in Raleigh

It was in the Spring of 1937 that Mr. Ellis began his experience with the scout program, which took on its beginning at the First Baptist Church. Under his able

ZACK ELLIS

leadership, today, there are five Negro troops in the city, and because of his untiring efforts he was later elected chairman of the organization committee.

Beginning the new year, Mr. Ellis was elected District Scout Commissioner, and at the present time he heads 108 registered scouts in Raleigh with 10 combined counties in the council.

In addition to his duties as chairman and district commissioner, he is chairman of his own troop "52," member of the Citizens Committee and a leading member of the First Baptist Church. He is affectionally known by his fellows as "Chairman."

In the beginning, Mr. Ellis faced many difficulties in keeping the troop movement alive, but he finally marshalled his energies together and made contacts with the white scoutmasters who at first were not so cordial.

After a brief struggle, and finally through the efforts of Dr. R. P. Daniel, president of Shaw University, he invited men interested in Scouting to meet for a discussion of the problem facing them.

At the first meeting several of the white councilmen were invited and heartily approved the setting up of a Negro district committee and the program began. The Boy Scouts of all five troops assisted the local committee in their entertainment of the National recreational meeting which was recently held in Raleigh. The boys, under chairman Ellis, acted as guards for the visitors at the Union Station, Bus Terminal and Arcade Hotel in assisting them and showing them around the city.

Picked Scouts of Various E. St. Louis Troop

Front Row—Lawrence Goodrich, Charmie Cusey, Leonard Savage, James Pettis, Muldoon Pearson.

Second Row—John Dobbins, Jr., Julius Robinson, Elmer Evans Harry Turner, Isaiah Campbell.

Back Row—William W. Colby, Dewitt Warren, Marion E. Officer DeLaFayette May, Edgar Thompson.

NEGRO SCOUTING IN EAST ST. LOUIS

There is at present an energetic effort being made to develop the Scouting movement among our group.

In the past Scouting among the Negroes has been handicapped by lack of proper leadership, lack of trained Scouters, lack of interest of parents in Scouting, and lack of proper sponsoring institutions. Without trained leaders and cooperation of parents Scouting would certainly be doomed.

Recently a training course for Scouters was held. The course, a seven weeks' one, was taken and successfully passed by 16 of the men taking it. All men who attended the sessions regularly will receive certificates in elementary principles of Scouting leadership.

Few parents realize the importance and value of the Scouting organization, thus the concentrated and energetic effort to arouse the interest in the organization.

During the recent economic upheaval which the world has been experiencing, there have arisen additional and more pressing problems to confront youth than have existed in many decades. Certainly, we are safe in saying that youth faces a different set of problems than has ever before been the case. Around the world youth are being summoned to aid in creating a finer society. In America, the swift demands of a changing order call youth and young men. Youth in return calls for a way for encouragement—for a way to bring its powers into harmony with some cause which gives promise of helping to build that new social order.

James Walker and our scoutmaster.

Charles Crawford, scoutmaster;

Willie Collins, Jr., scribe.

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Troop 69 of St. Elizabeth Church held its regular meeting Wednesday night. There were 27 present. Meeting was opened by Senior Patrol Leader, the roll was called. Songs were sung followed by contests. The scoutmaster told the boys how to join the Airplane Club.

John McGee; S. M.; Wm. Tanner, Jr., reporter.

Cites Economic And Industrial Participation As Race Group Scheme Salvation

Can't Be "Eliminated" Under Such A Setup, Howard University Professor Tells Boy Scout Celebration

"Negroes in America must make themselves so necessary to the economic and industrial scheme that it will be impossible for them to be eliminated," said Dr. John Lovell, professor of English at Howard University, last Friday night. He addressed Boy Scout Troop 152, of Tindley Temple M. E. Church, Broad and Fitzwater streets, which observed its 18th anniversary.

Fully 300 guests, including Girl Scouts Troop 21, and Troop 112 of Collingswood, N. J., were present.

Linwood Langston, scoutmaster of Troop 152, was presented with a purse by his charges. Oliver W. O'Ferrall was chairman of the program committee.

Other participants on the program were: Ralph H. Jones, who presided; Adolphus Lewis, Rev. Henry Nichols, Mrs. Dumah Reid, Francis Allen, Milton Glamison and the Glee Club of Troop 152, in a skit entitled "These Fathers."

Among the guests presented to the banqueteers were: Magistrate Edward W. Henry, Frank E. Biggs, Director of Recreation of Fairmount Park; Raymond Pace Alexander; Mrs. Mildred Hopper, captain of Girl Scout Troop, No. 21; Reverends F. H. Butler, L. H. McArthur and Andrew J. Sellars, who was the first troop committee chairman; Mr. Hillgrass, scoutmaster of Troop 112 of Collingswood; and James Butcher, professor of dramatics at Howard University.

Goldsboro, N. C., News-Argus
May 13, 1939

Negro Scouts Win Advances

Eleven colored Boy Scouts were advanced to the rank of Second Class at a Negro court of honor held at the colored community center, Scout Executive C. H. Westin, reported Saturday.

A knot-tying contest, pyramid race and candle relay was held with Troop 7 winning first place, Troop 11 was second, Troop 9 third and Troop 8 fourth.

Boys advanced were James Howard, Woodrow Burden James, L. Faison, Robert Lofton, Fred Whitfield, Russell Coley, Henry Johnson, Wayne Broadhurst, Isaac Broadhurst, Lee McIntyre, Roger Lofton.

Negro Scout Heads Meet Nat'l Leader

MIAMI, Fla. May 11 (UNP) — Negro Boy Scout leaders met a Liberty City Center last week to discuss with A. Stanley Harris, national director of the inter-racial activities of the Boy Scouts of America, ways and means of making more Scout work among Negroes in that city. There are approximately 100 Negro Boy Scouts in the city.

TUSKEGEEAN GETS HIGHEST SCOUT RANKING

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala., Sept. 14—Prior to the showing of the screen play, Union Pacific by Cecil B. DeMille, in Logan Hall Saturday evening, Dr. W. T. B. Williams, vice president of Tuskegee Institute, presented Ralph B. Stewart, Jr., a member of the Class of 1939, with a handsome Sundial Trophy, suitably inscribed, given to him by the members of Tuskegee Institute Boy Scout Troop No. 33, in appreciation of his service as Scoutmaster of the troop, which position he filled acceptably since his freshman year at Tuskegee.

Mr. Stewart, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph B. Stewart, Sr., of Jacksonville, Fla., has been active in the scout program over a period of eight years, and as a result has attained the highest rank in scouting—that of the Combination Gold and Silver Palm on the Eagle and supplemented by 94 merit badges and a Senior Red Cross Life Saving Certificate. These coveted honors place him in the top group of this particular organization in the United States.

Mr. Stewart has recently been appointed to the faculty of Tuskegee Institute as part time instructor in the history and as an assistant to Dr. George W. Carver.

Members of the Tuskegee Institute Troop committee are Capt. Frank L. Drye, chairman; Dr. W. B. Williams and Mr. J. H. Palmer.

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As Scout Commissioner Was Honored

Atlanta World- Atlanta Ga.

Scout Commissioner J. S. Roberts, left, is shown as he placed the blue and white silver beaver insignia about the neck of District Scout Commissioner Andrew J. Lewis, during the impressive ceremony held at Friendship Baptist Church, Atlanta, Tuesday night. It is the highest honor accorded adult workers in the Boy Scout movement. The services marked celebration of the 29th anniversary of Boy Scout work in America. (SNS staff photo)

Roanoke, Va., World News
May 18, 1939

The Cone Family

It has been a good many years since the late Ceasar Cone established a denim mill in the suburbs of Greensboro. In the years, that small plant has grown to a great chain of mills, claiming to be the largest manufacturers in this country of the cloth from which overalls are made. Well kept mill villages grew up around the mills, and some years ago, the mills and mill villages were annexed and became a part of the City of Greensboro.

Soon after that annexation, one of the younger Cones ran and was elected to the City Council. In a recent Council election, he led the list for reelection, and it was observed that his largest majorities came from the precints in the mill area.

Now his brother, Ceasar Cone II, has contributed $60,000 for erection and furnishing of a Negro Y. M. C. A. in Greensboro—one of many benefactions the Cone family has made.

It is an interesting phase of this splendid gift that it isn't to bear the Cone name. It will stand as a memorial to two Negro servants in the Cone family, a cook who served for 38 years until her death, and a man-servant still in service. In commenting on a gift that will be of vast usefulness to the Negro race in Greensboro, the Charlotte Observer says:

"Greensboro is blessed in having had such a family of constructive industrialists in its community through the many years, and in having today as among its foremost citizens and most generous and public-spirited philanthopists the descendants of an earlier family who so nobly and heartfully carry on the traditions of the household for good citizenship, neighborliness and humanitarianism."

Spartanburg, S. C., Herald
June 17, 1939

NEGRO SCOUTS FORM IN CITY

Bethlehem Center Sponsors Fourth Negro Troop In Hub City

Organization of a new negro Boy Scout troop—the fourth in Spartanburg—has been completed, and officials of the group have made formal application for a troop charter, it was learned yesterday from Charles Lea, executive of the Palmetto scout council.

The new troop, which has been designated as Troop 83, is being sponsored by the Bethlehem Community Center on Brush street, and is composed of negro youths in the Highland community.

Roosevelt Moore is listed as scoutmaster of the new troop, and Hosea Norman as assistant scoutmaster.

The troop committee is listed as Arthur Gist, John Holland and Furman Woodson.

Eleven charter members are listed in the application.

Other negro troops in the city are being sponsored by the Silver Hill Methodist church, the Walker Memorial Methodist church, and the Majority Baptist church.

Savannah, Ga., Press
June 27, 1939

COLORED SCOUTS RECEIVE AWARDS

Boy Scouts of Troop 48, colored, are preparing for their regular Court of Honor session Friday night at St. Benedict's Hall. The following will receive awards: Henry Lockhart, tenderfoot; Marion Allen and Willie Johnson, second class; Lewis Langley, first class; Benjamin G. Brown and Wesley W. Law, merit badges in carpentry and music.

The boys are planning on going to Camp Henry Ford at Ways Station the last of July.

Waycross, Ga., Journal-Herald
October 1, 1939

FORM GROUP FOR CITIZENSHIP

Negro Youths To Assist In Worthy Contribution To The Race

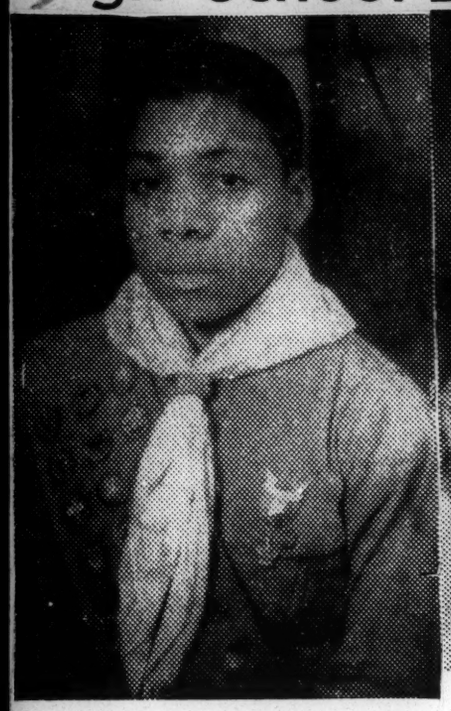
A group of boys have formed an organization among themselves for promotion of better citizenship among Negro youths, it is announced. It is called the Yacht Club and holds its meetings in the K. of P. Holl. About 600 colored people attended the first meeting to assist in the organization, it is revealed.

Officers are W. D. Taylor, president; W. J. Mitchell, vice president; E. J. Regulas, secretary; Melvin Cummings, assistant secretary; C. L. Wesley, financial secretary; B. T. Wyche, treasurer: Alvin Roberts, business manager; Clark Elbert, critic.

Membership includes Randolph Snead, M. L. Wright, Leon Rooks, C. Hill, Ben Edwards, Edward Johnson, Herman Cantey, Horace Thomas, Otis Wooten, Harper Myric, Lawrence Sutton, Dan Newton. Other members will be added later.

The first work will be to assist the Phyllis Wheatley Club in giving an entertainment. Proceeds will be used to buy a set of books for the Negro library.

High School Boasts Three Eagle Scouts



GEORGE HULBERT RICE, JR.
—of 1012 De Soto St., N. W., was made Eagle in Troop 90, John Bell, scoutmaster, First Congregational church. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rice. George attends Washington High School, a member of Friendship Baptist church and junior assistant scoutmaster of Troop 95 at the Friendship church.

SAMPSON TILLER, JR.
—of 349 Linden Ave., N. E., son of Mr. and Mrs. Sampson Tiller, Sr., was made an Eagle at D. T. Howard Jr. High School while in Troop 94. Scoutmaster C. M. Ashmore in charge.

He is now Junior Assistant Scoutmaster at Booker High in Troop 96, Scoutmaster W. Puckett in charge. He is in the eleventh grade.

SIDNEY JOHNSON
—of 1125 W. Hunter St., N. W. He is a pupil at Washington High School, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, and a member of Warren M. E. Church. He was a registered scout in Troop 90, Mr. John Bell, scoutmaster. Sidney is now junior assistant scoutmaster of Troop 96 at Washington High. Wm. Puckett is Scoutmaster.

Atlanta, Ga. Journal
July 14, 1939

541 Acres Bought For Scout Camp

Purchase of 541.4 acres of land for use as a camp for Negro Boy Scouts was announced Thursday through the office of W. M. Marr, executive secretary of the Atlanta Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

The camp site is located a short distance South of Jonesboro in Clayton County. A camping engineer from the National Camping Department, B. S. A., is now surveying the property for development of its swimming, boating, housing and nature study facilities.

Under direction of John F. Whittaker, a group of Negro citizens of Atlanta and vicinity are raising a fund of $2,500 to assist in the camp program.

Augusta, Ga. Chronicle
December 6, 1939

SCOUTS PLANNING COURT OF HONOR

Special Program Scheduled for Event at Center December 21

Boy Scouts, Augusta Area Council, will hold court of honor on Dec. 31, at 8 o'clock p. m., at the Bethlehem Community center.

Among the many outstanding features of the occasion will be the presence of Stanley Harris, national interracial committeeman. Mr. Harris to a very large degree is responsible for the Negro scout program. This is the first time that Negroes of Augusta will have an opportunity to meet Mr. Harris.

Other features of the program will be an auction sale of a boy. Several members of the committee will take part in this auction sale.

Auctioneer will be J. W. Wallace; boy, Frank Owens; war, R. B. Harper; pleasure, W. C. Ervin; crime, J. A. Gabriel; business, Hinton James; labor, Augustus Wallace; profession, George Bryant, farmer, Edgar Matthews; education, Isiah Washington; home life and fatherhood, M. S. Whittaker; church, M. J. Sherard; scouting, Julian Collins.

Scout leaders of this section also are preparing for the mock trial to be held in the auditorium of Charles T. Walker school Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Ticket sales in the public and private schools of the city indicate a record attendance at the performance.

Scout Executive Gets Omega Award

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 22—J. A. Beauchamp, Boy Scout executive of the Seminole division of Chickasaw council, and only Race member on the Americanization committee, recently organized to combat subversive activities, here and president of the Negro Chamber of Commerce, was given the annual Omega Psi Phi award for outstanding achievement in the community at the final program of Negro Achievement Week, Sunday at Centenary M.E. church.

Principal speaker for the occasion was William H. Hastie, first Race judge of the United States court, and present dean of the school of law at Howard university, Washington, D.C

In his address, Hastie said that National Negro Achievement week was important in publicizing the truth about Negroes in righting the wrong conception of Race people, frequently inspired by propaganda.

He said that his experience as a judge in the Virgin Islands, a territory of predominant Race population, had shown that the same virtues and vices appeared there as in the United States.

L. O. Swingler was chairman of the judging committee which selected Beauchamp. Others were: M. S. Stuart, Rev. S. A. Owens, Florence E. Hayes and Russell B. Sugarman.

ANDREW LEWIS RECEIVES HIGHEST BOY SCOUT AWARD

Atlanta World

The highest honor that it is possible to confer on an adult scouter was given Andrew J. Lewis, district commissioner of the Tenth Division, Tuesday evening at impressive services at the Friendship Baptist Church marking the observance of the 29th anniversary of the Boy Scout movement.

More than four hundred persons, two hundred of whom were Boy Scouts attired in their uniforms, roundly applauded as Scout Commissioner J. S. Roberts placed the blue and white silver beaver insignia about Mr. Lewis' neck.

Commissioner Roberts in conferring the honor pointed out that no other adult scouter had done more for the Boy Scout movement in Atlanta than had Commissioner Lewis.

He praised Mr. Lewis for his intense interest in his boys, declaring that he was largely responsible for the rapid growth of the scouting idea among Atlanta's colored youth.

Mr. Lewis, plainly surprised at the honor, responded to the honor, pledging that he would continue his work wtih renewed efforts.

A short program preceded the conferring of the silver beaver insignia.

Featured was the combined Morehouse, Atlanta University, Spelman chorus under the direction of Kemper Harreld and the Spelman chorus under the direction of Willis L. James.

Others who appeared were Scout Robert Fowler of Troop 91, Fletcher Combs of Troop 90, Albert Barnett of Troop 95, and Marshall Derricotte of Troop 88.

Brief remarks were made by Executive Secretary Marr of the Atlanta Council, who introduced several board members of the council, who sat on the rostrum.

J. P. Whittaker, chairman of the Tenth District, presided over the meeting.

Atlanta Ga. 2-15-39

Boy Scouts To Observe 29th Year

Atlanta World

Atlanta Jan. 2-14-39

Celebration To Be Held Tonight At Friendship

The 29th anniversary of the Scout Movement in America will be celebrated this evening by Boy Scouts in the Tenth Division of the Atlanta area. The celebration event is scheduled for Friendship Baptist Church beginning at eight o'clock. John P. Whittaker, registrar of Atlanta University and Morehouse College, is chairman of the Tenth Division.

Atlantans attending the meeting will hear four scouts representing the various degrees of attainment in Scouting tell what the distinction means to them. The audience will also have an opportunity to learn further of the future program of Scouting, and what it means to Atlanta youth.

BUILDING CHARACTER

Officials of Scouting throughout the nation say that character building is the fundamental need of the nation and that the Scout Movement, in the course of its remarkable growth, has proved to be one of the most effective means in the formation of character. More than 5,000,000 boys in the United States have been touched by Scouting, it is reported.

The general public is cordially invited to witness the presentation.

Monday, Tenth Division Scouts referred to the records of two more of their high ranking members. They are David Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Adams; and Jos. R. Hamilton, Jr., of 21 Hillaird Street, N. E., son of Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Hamilton.

Adams, a graduate of Washington High School, is now a student at Morehouse College He is a football and basketball player, track artist and assistant scout master of Troop 89 at his high school alma mater. Adams became an Eagle Scout on August 24, 1927. He was made the seventh Eagle in the 10th District of the Atlanta Area Council. Sam L. Davis is scoutmaster of Troop 89.

Hamilton, born December 1, 1916, became an Eagle Scout while attending Washington High School, of which he is a graduate. He belonged to Troop 91 of the Wheat Street Baptist Church and was the fifth Eagle of the district. He is now attending school at Georgia State College, Savannah. J. J. Pharrow is scoutmaster of Troop 91.

EAGLE SCOUT ADAMS

EAGLE SCOUT HAMILTON

Greensboro, N. C., Record
June 9, 1939

Negro Scout Leader Visits In Reidsville

REIDSVILLE, June 9.—A. J. Taylor, nationally known negro Boy scout worker, arrived in Reidsville yesterday. He will spend about three days in this and other districts of Cherokee council assisting in a special campaign to strengthen and improve the negro Boy scout organization in this area.

Yesterday Taylor conferred with S. E. Duncan, principal of Washington high school and a prominent leader in the local Boy scout movement for his race. Later Taylor, whose visit in this council was arranged by Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial scouting, will go to Burlington and other sections of the council where his advice and help have been requested. He was sent here direct from the New York office of the Boy Scouts of America.

Accomplishments Of Two More Eagle Scouts Cited

Atlanta World

Atlanta Jour.

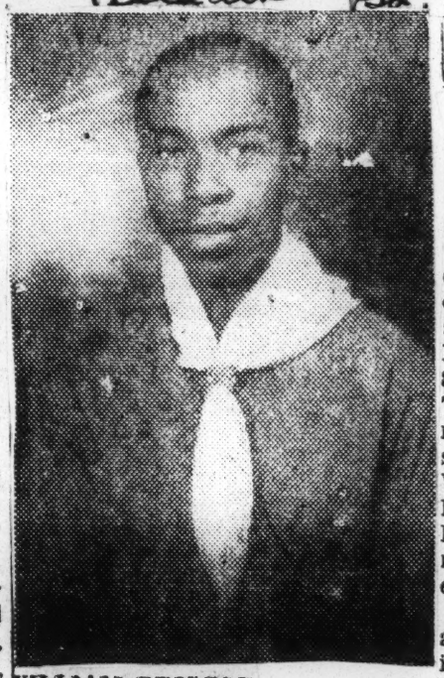
2-11-39

William Briscoe And John T. Gill Receive Praise

Continuing its observance of Boy Scout Week, District 10 of the Atlanta area Council Friday called to attention the accomplishments of two more fine Scouts. Those referred to are: William Briscoe, son of Mrs. William Briscoe, of 621 Houston street, N. E., and John T. Gill, Jr., son of John T. Gill of 946 Palmetto avenue, S. W.

Briscoe, who was a member of Troop 90 of the First Congregational church, and a member of the same religious group, was born January 29, 1918. He became a tenderfoot on June 3, 1931; second class, August 28, 1931; first class, January 28, 1933; star. March 28, 1933; life, July 12, 1933 and Eagle, July 30, 1935. A graduate of Booker T. Washington High school and Morehouse College, Briscoe is at present teaching in a South Georgia city.

Gill was also a member of Troop 90, but retained membership in the Friendship Baptist church. He was born May 26, 1918. He became a tenderfoot on March 29, 1932; second class, July 25. 1932; first class, March 28, 1933; star July 12, 1933; life, December 12, 1933; Eagle October 30 1934, and later an Eagle Bronze Palm, one of the highest ranks in the South. He is a graduate of Booker T. Washington high school and Morehouse college. At present he is attending



WILLIAM BRISCOE

JOHN T. GILL, JR

Lexington, N C Dispatch
June 12, 1939

LOCAL NEGRO TROOP WINS AT CAMPOREE

The first camporee to be sponsored by the negro district committee of the Uwharrie Council was held at municipal colored park, High Point, Thursday and Friday, June 8 and 9. Five troops were present, Troop 9, Roosevelt Miller, scoutmaster; Troop 11, Walter Moore, assistant scoutmaster; troop 16, S. S. Whitted, scoutmaster, all of High Point, and Troops 210 and 211, of Lexington, with Neighborhood Commissioner George Singleton as leader.

Thursday night the Scouts made a huge campfire and held a most inspiring program around it, including stunts, games and singing. Short talks were made by Thomas B. Smith, district commissioner, and S. E. Buford, chairman of the district committee, the official sponsors of the camporee.

In adding all points made in the contests, and camping efficiency, Troop 210, of Lexington, was found

Spartanburg S. C., Herald
Juune 10, 1939

NEGRO SCOUTS IN CITY SHOW GAIN

Rally to Be Held Here Next Tuesday Afternoon

A recent report of the Spartanburg negro district committee, Boy Scouts of America, reveals that there are now 58 negro scouts in four troops in the city.

Three other troops are in the process of organizaiton and are expected to be completed in the near future.

The report was given at a recent meeting at the Silver Hill Methodist church here.

The leader-training committee reported the completion of two training courses.

Plans have been completed for a scout rally Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the community center on Evins street, according to the camping and activities committee.

All organized troops are to meet for contests, instructions and games to be followed by a hike. An outdoor program will be held June 27, when the troops will meet for a hike, fire-building and cooking.

M. E. Harris is chairman of the committee. Others on the committee include Rev. P. E. Wingo, J. S. Simpson, M. K. Muckelduff, J. Stinson Woodward, E. A. Robinson and Arthur Gist.

E. B. Hallman is chairman of the inter-racial committee of the Palmetto council, which has headquarters located here.

600 Negro Boy Scouts Stay Out Of Juvenile Ct.

Birmingham Age-Herald 2-24-39

MEMPHIS, June 29—(ANP)—J. A. Beauchamp, scout leader, told the Memphis Council of Social Agencies at Calvary Parish house, white, Wednesday, that scouting has saved Memphis taxpayers $33,000, because not one of the 600 Negro Scouts has been in juvenile court the past year.

The meeting was presided over by Royal Harrison and Miss Georgia Robinson of Porter home and Leath orphanage in charge of the program. Council members heard speakers describe what is being done by Negroes and by white people to help the Negroes along the lines of health, recreation, relief and character-building. Mrs. J. Earle Hooks, chairman, and Mrs. Harry Ramsey, Jr., and Mrs. Lawrence Coe of the YWCA inter-racial committee, all white, attended and Mrs. Hooks told of the survey of hospitalization, street lighting,

Starkville, Miss. News
September 1, 1939

CAMP CONDUCTED FOR NEGRO TROOP

Troop 100 Of Starkville Camps At Patterson Lake

Patterson Lake, located on government property south of Starkville, was the scene of a week camp, August 14th through 19th, for the Negro Scouts of Starkville, Troop 100. Starkville is the only town in the Council having a Negro troop. The use of the lake for the boys was approved by the Chairman of the Pushmataha Area Council Health and Safety Committee, Mr. W. B. Owen. Mr. Owen also secured approval for the use of the property from Mr. J. S. Moore, Jr., Project Manager.

The Camp was under the supervision of L. A. Seals, of West Point who has been connected with Scouting over a period of fifteen years. Isaiah Harris is Scoutmaster of the Troop and was in attendance at the camp during part of the week. Ernest Langston, Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 27 and Ralph Katz, Patrol Leader of Troop 27 assisted the camp on the first day in the organization of its Water Program.

The following program was carried out with changes as progress was made in the tests worked on:

6:00 a. m., flag raising; 7:00 a. m. breakfast; 7:30 a. m. tent inspection; 8:00 a. m., knot tying; 8:30 a. m., Indian code; 9:00 a. m., first-aid; 10:00 a. m., Service badges and insignia; 11:00 a. m., swimming; 12:00 noon, dinner; 1:00 p. m., judging; 1:30 p. m., judging; 2:00 p. m., trail laying; 3:00 p. m., axe or handicraft; 3:30 p. m., swimming; 6.00 p. m., supper; 7:30 p. m., camp fire; 9:00 p. m., taps.

The troop has three patrols, Panther, Owl, and Dog. Members of the troop enjoying the week camp were: Maurice Evans, Loveless Perkins, Walter Lee Grayer, George Lenard, Charles Hardy, Marion Stallings, Melvin Fox, John Arthur Yeates, Jimmie Dockins, Carver Barry, Joe Leonard, Randale Scales, Nelson Gregory, Jr., Wilbon Yeates, Aubrey Rogers, Maurice Nash, Salathiel Evans and Walter Stanback.

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BOYS' MEETINGS

Winston-Salem. N. C., Sentinel
February 8, 1939

Scouting Among Negro Boys Began in City During 1931

Central committee on Negro scouting. First row, left to right, E. F. Wilson, William Crawford, G. F. Newell, J. A. Carter, W. H. Stepp; second row, E. M. Mitchell, R. W. Puryear, A. H. Anderson, chairman; D. H. Banks; back row, Weymon Strong and M. C. Murray.—(Staff photo.)

The real beginning of scouting among colored boys in the Winston-Salem Council was the appointment in 1931 of a Negro central committee for the purpose of promoting this phase of the scout work. This committee was headed by E. M. Mitchell, with D. C. Hobson, J. A. Carter and A. H. Anderson also serving on the committee. A. J. Taylor, a Negro member of the national staff of the Boy Scouts of America was invited to come to Winston-Salem and conduct a course to prepare leaders for prospective Negro troops. Approximately 30 men received this training and from this initial group have come most of the present Negro scout leaders.

The immediate result of this initial effort was the organization, in October 1932, of two colored troops; Troop 65 at Wentz Memorial Congregational Church, and Troop 66 at St. Paul M. E. Church. In January 1934, two more Negro troops were organized—Troop 68 at First Baptist Church and Troop 69 at Shiloh Baptist Church.

From the very beginning these troops had a rather difficult struggle. To most of those engaged in leading the troops, scouting was an absolutely new experience and consequently many mistaker were made. The struggle to carry on the program, with inadequate leadership and preparation was so acute that of the original four troops, only one managed to retain its charter. The one troop, which has continued to function since its organization is Troop 68. That this troop has been able to continue in the face of such difficulties is due to the inspiring and untiring efforts of its leaders W. A. Jones, former troop chairman; J. W. Paisley, present chairman, and Scoutmasters T. F. Poag, G. F. Newell and R. C. Crutchfield.

Since the initial training course, two additional courses have been offered for the purpose of training leaders for colored troops. Both of these courses have been conducted by the local scout council with some of the colored scouters assisting in the actual teaching. Both of these courses, were held at the Winston-Salem Teachers College, with college students being among those receiving the training. Many of these students have since become scout leaders in the various communities where they are now employed.

As a direct result of the last training course which was completed in November 1938, two new Negro troops have been organized. Troop 66 is at St. Paul M. E. Church and is a revival of one of the original two troops in the city. Troop 69 is an entirely new troop and is sponsored by the Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Rev. C. H. Caldwell and Rev. R. L. File, pastors of the two churches respectively have given every assurance that these troops will have the support and backing, the lack of which was partially responsible for the loss of three of the original four Negro troops. It seems certain that these troops are on a firm footing.

Those in charge of scouting among Negro boys in the Winston-Salem Council are: A. H. Anderson, chairman; J. A. Carter, secretary; D. C. Hobson, E. M. Mitchell, E. F. Wilson, chairman Negro court of honor; R. W. Puryear, chairman troop committee Troop 69; W. H. Stepp, chairman troop committee Troop 65; J. W. Paisley Sr., chairman troop committee Troop 68. Scoutmaster of Troop 68 is F. T. Poag, assisted by G. F. Newell and R. C. Crutchfield. Scoutmaster of Troop 66 is W. R. Crawford, assisted by D. Banks. Scoutmaster of Troop 69 is W. Murray, assisted by C. Latimore and W. Strong.

Spartanburg, S. C. Herald
February 9, 1939

SCOUT COMMITTEE TO GATHER TODAY

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Harris, National Official, to Address Extension Group of Council

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of the Boy Scouts of America, will hold a conference at 10 o'clock this morning with the organization and extension committee of the Palmetto council at the office of L. E. Grier, chairman of the committee.

Council officials, with headquarters in Spartanburg, are planning an extensive inter-racial program in the council area, which covers Spartanburg, Union, Cherokee, Chester and York counties.

Long Scout Career

Mr. Harris was born in Johnston county, Tennessee. He graduated from Aaron seminary in 1899. Three years later he completed the course at the University of Chattanooga graduating with the degree of bachelor of arts. From 1903 to 1907 he engaged in commercial activities at Lexington, Ky., and in the latter year became general secretary of the Y.M.C.A. at Frankfort, Ky.

Mr. Harris during 1908 organized a Boy Scout troop and became its scoutmaster under the aegis of British scout authority, scouting having then not yet been organized in America. Soon after scouting was organized in the United States in 1910, he applied to the national council of the Boy Scouts of America for recognition and commission and was commissioned as a scoutmaster in August of that year.

Y.M.C.A. Worker

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Murfreesboro, Tenn., News-Journal
February 11, 1939

Moore Addresses Negro Scout Troop

Scout Troop 127 met in a regular meeting Thursday night with Prof. W. A. Rogers, scoutmaster, in charge.

Thomas A. Moore, former Scout Executive of Middle Tennessee, was guest speaker for the occasion. He spoke of the origin of Scouting, how it came to America and what it has done for boys in twenty-nine years. Scouting is now in fifty-seven nations with more than a million boys enrolled in the United States.

He spoke of the work among the colored boys and encouraged those present to live up to the Scout Oath and Laws.

Newport News, Va. Press
February 13, 1939

HARRIS WILL HOLD SCOUT CONCLAVES

Director of Inter-Racial Activities Scheduled to Visit Peninsula Group Thursday

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of Boy Scouts of America, is scheduled to be here Thursday for a series of conferences. Besides a conference in the afternoon at Scout headquarters, another is expecte to be held Thursday night at Phoebus and probably conferences with Prof. L. F. Palmer, Negro, principal of Huntington high school, and Dr. Arthur Howe, head of Hampton institute.

In the local council are five Negro troops with 125 Scouts enrolled and 3 more troops being organized. Ian H. Ross, principal of Phenix school, has been chairman of the council inter-racial committee for five years.

Last year Carl M. Hill, Negro, was elected part time field executive in charge of Negro scouting. He previously served as Scoutmaster, Negro commissioner and then was advanced to his present position.

Greensboro, N. C., News
February 15, 1939

NEGRO SCOUT COURSE WILL BE CONTINUED

The negro district committee of the Boy Scouts of America will continue its annual training institute for scout leaders today and tomorrow at A. and T. college, from 7 to 10 p. m., according to an announcement by L. A. Wise, district commissioner. The institute, which is being directed by A. H. Peeler, will offer such courses as scouting principles, troop management, cubbing and requirements for various classes of scout advancement.

The first session, held Monday, was attended by 25 scout leaders, and many more in this section are expected to attend today's and tomorrow's sessions, which will be open to the public.

Officials of the negro district committee are R. C. Sharp, chairman; A. H. Peeler, chairman of leadership and training, and L. A. Wise, secretary and district commissioner.

Greenville, S. C. News
February 11, 1939

HOLDS CONFERENCE

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities for the Boy Scouts of America, conducted a conference with a group of Greenville district scouters at the Woodside grill yesterday afternoon. The group discussed inter-racial scouting in this district and made plans for further work in this field. The conference was followed by a dinner, after which the group witnessed the merit badge show at the old Woolworth building.

Mobile, Ala., Register
February 19, 1939

COLORED CARNIVAL TEA

The fifth annual carnival tea will be sponsored by the colored Y. M. C. A. this afternoon. The churches, schools, Y. W. C. A., Boy Scouts, recreation group and others are cooperating. A musical and literary program will be rendered from 3:30 to 6:30 o'clock.

Pensacola, Fla. News
February 10, 1939

SCOUTS PLAN CHURCH RITES

Non-Sectarian Service At Station Planned

Scouts of all creeds, their friends and relatives will be brought together in the annual non-sectarian services to be held at 9:30 a. m. Sunday in the Naval Air station chapel All scouts unable to come with their parents are requested to meet at 8:30 a. m. in front of the city hall, where busses will await them for transportation to the station.

The U. S. Navy band under the direction of Frank J. Suwalski will play. A chorus of cadets will sing negro spirituals. Scout hymns will be sung and scouts prayers given.

Lt. Comdr. W. W. Davis, as president of the Gulf Coast council will be in charge and Chaplain M. M. Witherspoon will give the sermon on "Youth Looks To God."

In connection with Boy Scout week, a scout rally will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Scout house. Today Scout Executive Clyde Surgi and Commissioner Davis will talk on scouting at Brewton and Evergreen.

Will Lecture

STANLEY A. HARRIS
National Director of Inter-Racial Activities, Boy Scouts of America

Several adult groups and the general public, excluding the Boy Scouts, will hear lectures by Stanley A. Harris, national director of interracial activities on Saturday, March 4.

At 11 a. m. Mr. Harris will address the ministers of the city and at 8 p. m. he will be heard in the auditorium of the Douglass high school, sponsored by the District Board, Interdenominational Alliance, Women's Federated clubs and a number of churches of the city.

Mr. Harris was born in Johnston Co., Tenn. He was educated at Aaron Seminary and the University of Chattanooga. In later years he became secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Frankford, Ky. During 1908 he organized a Boy Scout troop and became its scoutmaster under the aegis of British authority, since scouting had not been organized in America. He was later commissioned as a scoutmaster August of 1910 by the National Council of Boy Scouts of America. He has served as special field scout commissioner, national field commissioner and later as a national field executive in charge of 14 states of the South and Southwest. He was a one time scout executive at Washington, D. C.

In 1926 he was made national field director of interracial activities, an important branch of work of the Boy Scouts of America.

Tampa, Fla. Tribune
April 5, 1939

National Scout Official Will Meet With Tampans

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of Boy Scouts of America and former national field director with headquarters in Memphis, will meet today with Boy Scout executives of the Gulf-Ridge council here to discuss a program of scouting for negro boys.

John G. Anderson, jr., is chairman of the local inter-racial committee.

Harris will be guest speaker at a Boy Scout meeting tonight which will be attended by district commissioners, scoutmasters and officers of the Tampa Urban league.

Putting The Boy Scouts On The Map

THE boys must have a chance. In them rests the hopes of the race. They are the men of tomorrow and what we do for them now will be amply repaid in their devotion to duty when it comes their time to take the helm as the citizens of tomorrow.

No movement about us is so emphatic in its sponsorship of good citizenship for our boys like the Boy Scout movement. Beginning a few years ago on a small scale, some altruistic persons have steadily kept the Boy Scout movement before the public. Today there are hundreds of troops in our ranks.

It is proposed to buy grounds and make expansions for recreation and practice for the Boy Scouts and their friends in our community. If the project now proposed goes over, we will have a Boy Scout headquarters which will be excelled by none in our group. The development of the plans now before us will not only help the boys already enilets dbut will be a drawing power for all eligible boys. In this manner the best influences in our ranks will have access to the boys of our group. Through no other medium can so many boys be reached.

It is therefore ours to eniist in the cause now underway for the raising of $2500 for the building of a lake and the equipping of a first class permanent home for the Boy Scouts.

The churches, Sunday schools, public schools and civic organizations should spare no pains in spreading this appeal.

Not often will such an opportunity come to our doors, so full of promise and so imperative in its emphasis of fine citizenship. To fail it would be to undo all that our friends have claimed for us and in the meantime establish the fact that we as a group are unwilling to do the just thing by our boys.

A little inquiry on the part of those who feel that the time has come for us to do things, would bring all the information desired.

This is indeed a worthy cause and every citizen, high and low should enlist that this measure will be carried over one thousand per cent.

Tampa, Fla. Tribune
April 6, 1939

Permanent Negro Boy Scout Camp Urged by Official

A permanent camp for negro Boy Scouts of this district was urged last night by Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of Boy Scouts of America, at a meeting at the Tampa Urban league.

"We spent most of the day looking over several sites for a camp in Hillsborough county," Harris said, "and we have three places in mind. The site we finally choose will be used for a camporee for negro scouts in South and Central Florida which will be held sometime in June. There is a possibility it will be turned into a permanent camp which is badly needed."

Attending the meeting were Dr. R. R. Williams, chairman of the negro district; E. E. Broughton, negro district commissioner, and John G. Anderson, jr., chairman of the local inter-racial committee.

Harris said there are about 100 negro scouts in Tampa and almost 600 in South Florida. He said approximately 250 would attend the camporee.

Harris and Anderson met yesterday afternoon to discuss ways and means of getting better cooperation and definite program arrangements for the negro troops.

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BOYS' MEETINGS

Boy Scout Week

KNOXVILLE'S NEGRO CITIZENSHIP should exhibit activity in observing "National Boy Scout Week," which is set this year for February 8 to 14. Not so much for the purpose of arousing interest among the youngster in this vastly important and influential organization for the proper training and development of youths, but for the purpose of taking stock of available material among the local racial group for taking in charge the supervisory positions as fraught with reponsibilities as they are.

There is positively no doubt but that much is lacking in representative and straightforward leadership heretofore selected in Knoxville to hold these positions with Boy Scout activities among Negroes. Even though it may be difficult to point out examples of what is here implied among the adults, the good accomplishments among the youngsters is so meagre, and certain attitudes exhibited by some of the youngsters who have been affiliated with the movement, indicates their having failed to grasp that high-type dignified training that can be found in other sections.

Let's have an observance of Boys Scouts Week, but let some of the preparation for observance extend to the supervisors as well as the boys!

High Point, N. C. Enterprise
February 6, 1939

Stanley A. Harris To Arrive Tuesday

National Director Inter-Racial Activities In Scouting

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of the Boy Scouts of America, will arrive here tomorrow for important conferences in conjunction with the celebration of the anniversary of Scouting, it was learned today from B. W. Hackney, Jr., Scout Executive of the Uwharrie Council.

At noon tomorrow Mr. Harris will confer at the Sheraton hotel with members of the council's inter-racial committee, composed of F. Logan Porter, Sr., and H. A. Millis, of this city, and Cabell Philpott, of Lexington.

Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the William Penn high school he will confer with the Negro District Committee, composed of Dr. J. C. Morgan, S. E. Burford, G. E. Stark, Dr. M. B. Davis, Rev. J. C. Melton, Thomas B. Smith and Clarence E. Yokley.

Mr. Harris has had a long career in Scouting. In 1908 he organized a Boy Scout troop under the aegis of British Scout authority. Scouting had not then been organized in America. But soon after Scouting was organized in the United States in 1910, he applied to the National Council for recognition and commission and was commissioned as a Scoutmaster in August of that year.

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Spartanburg, S. C. Press
February 2, 1939

INTER-RACIAL DIVISION ORGANIZATION READY

Will Advance Boy Scouting Among Negroes.

The inter-racial division of Chatham Area Council of Boy Scouts has been completed with the exception of one member. John Delaware is chairman of this committee, which will be in charge of all negro scouting in the Chatham district. The committee, under his leadership and supervision of the local Boy Scout office, will begin to function immediately in spreading negro scouting throughout the district and giving them a program of camping, advancement and leadership training.

The following have been selected to serve on the inter-racial committee: John Delaware, chairman; B. F. Goins, vice chairman; Thad Eubanks, commissioner; William Mann, organization; Arthur Clement, leadership training; R. W. Gadsden, advancement; Dr. M. P. Sessoms, health and safety; Edwin Burke, finance. The chairman on camping and activities has not been announced. In addition to these one man from each negro troop is included other than the scoutmaster of that troop.

The first meeting of the committee will be Wednesday night at the First African Baptist Church. Prior to the business session the committee will hold a court of honor for the advancement of scouts from troop 48. The court of honor will be held at 8 o'clock.

During the business session the chairman of the division will present to the group a yearly program and objectives for its approval. Plans are already under way for the organization of several new colored Scout troops. The division will follow up these plans and guide the new troops as they are organized.

Dothan, Ala. Eagle
February 7, 1939

Scout News

SCOUT BANQUET

The Houston County Scout committee met Monday night at the Wadlington Hotel to attend a bird supper. Those present were Whit King, J. C. Frink of Auburn, the Rev. W. H. Venters, the Rev. D. P. Slaughter, Alto Lee, the Rev. Leroy Priest, Meyer Blumberg, E. W. Walker, Harvey McBryde, T. A. Shealy, Jim Wilson, Lee Shugerman, James Baughman, John Foy Walden, Thurman Walters, Tom Jones, W. R. Jordan and Roscoe E. Stevens.

Following the meal the business matters were discussed. Myer Blumberg, chairman of starting new troops in Dothan, reported the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs of Dothan had been contacted and both were in favor of sponsoring scout troops. The Rev. Leroy Priest, chairman of the committee to secure new Scout leaders, reported that a list of 19 prospective leaders had been made and that a number had already been contacted who had agreed to serve.

Scout Executive Stevens reported that new troops were being formed in Hartford, Headland and Midland City. Also, that a new Negro troop had been started in Dothan. He said a Sea Scout ship was being organized in connection with Troop 38 of Dothan. Committee Chairman Tom Jones reported that the City of Dothan was preparing a new office for the Scout headquarters. He announced that Albert Stephenson had offered the Boy Scouts the use of 120 acres of land for an indefinite period for a camp site.

The meeting was closed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Newport News, Va. Press
February 5, 1939

STANLEY A. HARRIS

HARRIS TO CONFER ON INTER-RACIAL SCOUT PROBLEMS

National Director Will Be Here Feb. 16; Arrangements Made to Observe Anniversary Week

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of Boy Scouts of America, will be here Feb. 16 for a series of conferences, it was announced yesterday by W. G. Robinson, Peninsula council Scout executive.

Besides a conference during the afternoon at Scout headquarters a conference is expected to be held that night at Phoebus and probably conferences with Prof. L. F. Palmer, Negro, principal of Huntington high school, and Dr. Arthur Howe, head of Hampton institute.

Harris became national director of inter-racial activities in 1926, having previously served as assistant national field director. In 1917 he became national field commissioner of Scouting with headquarters in Richmond. Following service as Scout executive in Washington he was named national field executive in charge of work in fourteen states, with headquarters in Memphis.

In the local council are five Negro troops with 125 Scouts enrolled and 3 more troops being organized. Ian H. Ross, principal of Phenix school, Hampton, has been chairman of the council inter-racial committee for five years.

Last year Carl M. Hill, Negro, was elected part time field executive in charge of Negro scouting. He previously served as Scoutmaster, Negro commissioner and then was advanced to his present position. He is a graduate fo Cornell with B. S. and M. S. degrees and now is completing his work with his doctor's degree.

The Peninsula Scout council is arranging for a series of events during the observance of anniversary week, beginning Wednesday. A special church service will take place at Orcutt Avenue Baptist church tonight with the pastor, Dr. H. T. Stevens, to give a special message. A charter will be presented to the church for a troop by Mayor B. G. James and Scout Executive Robinson will be present.

Nine troops will take part in a rally to be staged at 7:30 Thursday night at the city armory with commissioners in charge of the program.

Troop No. 11 will represent the Newport News district with a broadcast over radio station WGH at 6 Friday night. Scoutmaster Harry Shaff to have charge. The troop is sponsored by Chestnut Avenue M. E. church.

The local Scout council received its charter in 1918 and the anniversary week will be in observance of the organization of Scouting 29 years ago.

Executive Robinson has received notice from Leslie C. Stratton, national director of public relations for Scouting, that President Roosevelt, Walter W. Head, president of Boy Scouts of America, and Dr. James E. West, chief Scout executive, will broadcast from 10 to 10.15 Wednesday night in a national hook-up of three broadcasting systems.

Spartanburg, S. C. Herald
February 3, 1939

NEGRO BOY SCOUT TROOPS ORGANIZED

Three Troops in Formatio

Stages at Chester; Others Planned

Charles Lea, executive of the Palmetto council, Boy Scouts of America, and Thomas Bryant, assistant executive, visited Chester yesterday in connection with the organization of a number of negro Boy Scout troops in that county.

Plans are well under way for the formation of three troops in the city of Chester, and it is hoped to organize others in nearby communities.

In connection with plans for the work, a training course for negro scout leaders has been held at Chester for the past several weeks. Mr. Lea and Mr. Bryant visited Chester yesterday to complete the training course.

Dr. S. F. Finley, superintendent of the Finley negro high school of Chester, is in charge of the negro scout work in Chester county.

Jasper, Ala., Advertiser
February 9, 1939

FOR BOY SCOUT WEEK

CITY TROOPS TO HEAR ADDRESS BY Dr. McDONALD; COUNCIL MEETING IS CALLED

Scouting in Jasper comes to the front this week with the beginning of the 29th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. As is the custom throughout the country there has been arranged here a Scout Service to be held at the Methodist church on Sunday morning at which time the two Scout Troops, headed by Carl Elliot and J. R. Burton, will assemble along with the Sea Scout Ship headed by Bob MacLaurin and hear an address by Rev. McDonald, pastor of the Methodist Church, following the theme of the week, "Scouting Carries On American Ideals." All Scouts are urged to be present at this time along with all friends of Scouting.

Council Meeting

The Jasper District Committee of the Black Warrior Council will meet on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in W. W. Bankhead's office according to an announcement by Herman Maddox, District Chairman. It is important that all men interested in Scouting be present at this time so that we can lay plans for our years work.

Negro Representative Coming

On next Sunday the negro Scouters will be privileged to have a visit from A. J. Taylor, Negro Representative on the National Staff of Boy Scouts of America from New York City, who will speak to a general meeting of all negroes in the County on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. All negroes are urged to attend. The program is being arranged by Professor Layton of the Walker County Colored High School and will be held at the High School.

All of these events are of great importance to Scouting and all Jasper citizens are urged to cooperate with the Scout Leaders in putting them over.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
February 8, 1939

TAYLOR, SCOUT OFFICIAL TO BEGIN CONFERENCE

A. J. Taylor, national scout executive in charge of Negro work, will begin a series of conferences here today at colored Boy Scout headquarters, 124½ East Ninth street.

According to announcement by Prof. J. L. Jenkins, local scout commissioner for Negroes, those to take part in the two-day sessions will include members of the honor court, leaders in cubbing, scoutmasters, mothers' clubs and ladies' auxiliary in scouting and the district and deputy commissioners.

Taylor is attached to the New York office of the National Boy Scouts of America, and is here to stimulate the work among the twenty-nine Negro troops in the Chattanooga area.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
February 9, 1939

Negro Scout Heads to Meet

The last of a two-day series of conferences held here by A. J. Taylor of the New York Boy Scouts' office in charge of colored work will be held tonight when the local group will have scoutmasters and commissioners as guests at a smoker at 124½ East Ninth street, Negro troop headquarters, it was announced by Dr. W. B. Davis, colored chairman of scout troops.

Taylor will also be heard this morning at the 11:30 chapel hour on a Negro History week program. He will leave tonight for Anniston, Ala., for a similar conference.

Raleigh, N. C., News & Observer
February 8, 1939

NEGRO SCOUTS HOLD HONOR COURT HERE

The Third Court of Honor for Negro Scouts was held last night at the St. Paul A. M. E. Church with a large attendance of Scouts and parents.

Special talks were made by H. K. Witherspoon, chairman of the Raleigh Council; Claude Humphreys, Scout Executive; H. L. Trigg, Vice Chairman of the Negro District Committee; Zack Ellis, District Commissioner; and Dr. C. C. Scott, pastor of the church.

Badges were awarded to fifteen scouts who advanced to second class rank during the past month.

Scout H. K. Witherspoon, Jr., was present to bring greetings from the white scouts of Raleigh and vicinity.

Jasper, Ala. Tribune
February 8, 1939

PROGRAM IS READY FOR BOY SCOUT WEEK

CITY TROOPS TO HEAR ADDRESS BY Dr. McDONALD; COUNCIL MEETING IS CALLED

Scouting in Jasper comes to the front this week with the beginning of the 29th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. As is the custom throughout the country there has been arranged here a Scout Service to be held at the Methodist church on Sunday morning at which time the two Scout Troops, headed by Carl Elliot and J. R. Burton, will assemble along with the Sea Scout Ship headed by Bob MacLaurin and hear an address by Rev. McDonald, pastor of the Methodist Church, following the theme of the week, "Scouting Carries On American Ideals." All Scouts are urged to be present at this time along with all friends of Scouting.

Council Meeting

The Jasper District Committee of the Black Warrior Council will meet on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in W. W. Bankhead's office according to an announcement by Herman Maddox, District Chairman. It is important that all men interested in Scouting be present at this time so that we can lay plans for our years work.

Negro Representative Coming

On next Sunday the negro Scouters will be privileged to have a visit from A. J. Taylor, Negro Representative on the National Staff of Boy Scouts of America from New York City, who will speak to a general meeting of all negroes in the County on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. All negroes are urged to attend. The program is being arranged by Professor Layton of the Walker County Colored High School and will be held at the High School.

All of these events are of great importance to Scouting and all Jasper citizens are urged to cooperate with the Scout Leaders in putting them over.

Greenville, S. C. News
February 11, 1939

ARRINGTON TALKS AT EASLEY MEET

Awards Are Made At Annual Father And Son Banquet For Scouts

The annual Father and Son banquet of the Easley Boy Scout district was held Thursday night at the First Methodist church of Easley and was attended by approximately 125 persons. Chief speaker for the occasion was John W. Arrington, of Greenville.

The subject of Mr. Arrington's address was "Vocational Guidance." He urged the boys to find what vocation they wished to follow and to begin in that field as soon as possible. Paying special tribute to the "good turn" idea embodied in the scout program, Mr. Arringston urged the scouts to be patriotic citizens and to work toward national and international scouting.

Special guest at the banquet was Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities for the Boy Scouts of America. Also present was O. B. Gorman, scout executive of the Blue Ridge council.

The following promotions and merit badges were awarded at the court of honor held during the night:

Promotions to second class: Curran Smith, troop 27; Kenneth Harris, troop 27; Lee Brown, troop 27; Malcolm Gilstrap, troop 37; George Couch, troop 37, and Larry Ribak, troop 37.

Promotions to first class: Henry Sitton, Jr., troop 37.

Promotion to bronze palm: W. M. Scott, Jr., troop 37.

Merit badges were awarded as follows: Jimmy Hunt, (2); Bill Burns, (4); Edward Vaughan, (4); James Carson, (4); J. M. Abbott, (1); Ralph Sarlin, (4); Marion Smith, (4); Stanley Smith, (1); Sidney McDaniel, (2); Randel Putnam, (3); Leon Owens, (2); Kenneth Harris, (2); Carl Wyatt, (2); Charles James, (1); Walter Davis, (1); George Couch, (1); Jesse Ranson, (2); W. F. Waldrop, (1).

Charlotte, N. C., News
March 31, 1939

Negro Youths Go To Meeting

A Hi-Y delegation from Second Ward High School, Negro, left the city this morning for Wilmington where they will attend the three-day North Carolina Older Boys Conference at the Allison High School.

Edward H. Brown, member of the Second Ward faculty, who was elected by the Executive Board of the Negro Branch of the YMCA as its representative at the conference, accompanied the Hi-Y delegation.

The Hi-Y delegation is composed of W. Howard Morlend, adviser, Richard Massey, J. E. Chaplin and Wentworth Miller.

The conference, which was held at the Second Ward School last year, was attended by more than 300 persons.

AMERICA'S ANSWER TO THREATS OF COMMUNISM, FASCISM AND NAZISM

Typical Boy Scouts of America, who are helping to safeguard democracy

Tribute Is Paid 2 Scouts

Officials of the Tenth District Boy Scouts of America, cite the record of two more members who have achieved prominent records.

1. Sloan Blocker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Blocker, 410 Felton Drive, N.E., has made an enviable record as a student at Morehouse College. A member of the junior class, he [illegible] letter man in football and basketball, and member of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity. A graduate of Atlanta University High School, he is a member of the First Congregational Church.

Blocker became a scout tenderfoot on March 27, 1931; second class, September 23, 1931; first class, July 25, 1932; star, March 28, 1933, and [illegible] August 24, 1937.

Robert E. Johnson, Jr., is at present a student at Tuskegee Institute, where he is a member of the Tuskegee Glee Club, a famous musical organization. He is the

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Johnson is a member of the Central M. E. Church and a graduate of Washington High School.

West Point Boy Scouts In Busy Program

WEST POINT, Ga.—(SNS)—The Boy Scouts Troop No. 1 of West Point and the West Point High school, with Scoutmaster W. D Long and Assistant Scoutmaster Lenun Canady, closed a week of scouting activities last night by presenting the Morris Brown College concert group to the West Point public.

Friday afternoon February 17, Prof. F. I. Long of the Vilas, Florida C.C.C. Camp addressed the local Boy Scouts on "Preparation For Citizenship Through Vocational Education". The Scouts brought to West Point and the students this speaker.

Sunday, February 19, Rev. Hutcherson of the Baptist church preached the Scout anniversary sermon Rev. Hutcherson stated that it is impossible for the school, church and scoutdom to influence the greater part of a boy's life if his parents, environment and community work in the opposite direction to these elevating agencies.

The Morris Brown concert group composed of William Haitchcock, Thomas Frazier, Joseph Boatner, Marquis King, Allen Johnson, and Harrison Brown closed the Scout anniversary activites with a program of classes, spirituals and popular renditions for quartet, violin soloist, vocal soloist and piano.

A repeat concert was requested for the group to re-appear here. Quite a few whites came out to enjoy this highly trained group.

Mrs. W. D. Long entertained both Prof. F. I. Long and the Morris Brown group with a luncheon.

Birmingham Ala News
February 25, 1939

BOYS CLUB PLANS SUMMER CAMPS

Directors To Increase Scope Of Work This Year

Plans for increasing the scope of the Birmingham Boys Club annual Summer camps during 1939 were outlined at the monthly meeting of the club's directors Friday.

During 1938, a total of 410 white boys were given outings at Camp Horner, and 75 Negro boys were given outings at Camp Washington. President J. J. Swenson, of the Boys Club, expressed the belief that the number of boys accommodated at both white and colored camps could be increased this Summer.

The following committees were named at Friday's meeting: Executive committee, H. B. Richards, chairman; R. E. Simmons, Dr. Percy H. Woodall, W. V. Trammell, C. E. Ireland, Crawford Johnson, Jr.; budget and finance committee, Carl Wittichen, Sr., chairman; Harold B. Blach, W. A. Currie, C. M. Konkle; publicity committee, E. L. Sykes, chairman; Carl Wittichen, Jr., Paul Pankey; house committee, Ed P. Kidd, chairman; E. B. VanKeuren, H. A. Brice, W. J. Adams, A. M. Shook; vocational training committee, Dr. Percy H. Woodall, chairman; H. B. Richards, Roland L. Shine, J. D. Rosenberger, W. P. Roberts; vocational guidance committee, John E. Bryan, chairman; Milton Fies, Neill Hutchings; camp committee, Neill Hutchings, chairman; Dr. Cas Reagan, R. E. Simmons, Crawford Johnson, Jr., Milton Fies; extension committee, Rogers B. Quincy, chairman; W. A. Currie, W. P. Roberts, W. V. Trammell, A. M. Shook; athletic committee, Karl Landgrebe, chairman; George Mattison, Jr., Carl Wittichen, Sr., Paul Pankey; religious education and character building committee, Father Walter J. Tobin, chairman; John E. Bryan, Roland L. Shine, Sig G. Bauer.

Atlanta Ga Journal
February 28, 1939

Negro Boy Scouts Will Be Elevated

Twenty-five colored Boy Scouts will be elevated to the rank of second-class Scouts, one to first-class, and two to the rank of star Scouts when the court of honor and court of awards of the Tenth Division of Boy Scouts in Atlanta meet at 7:30 p. m., Tuesday in the Booker T. Washington High School cafeteria.

Fifteen boys will appear before the court to take merit badge examinations. The public is invited.

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Medical Exams Offered Tenth District Scouts

During Negro Health Month concurrently underway, Boy Scouts and their parents are urged to take advantage of special medical examinations offered Scouts of the Tenth District. All Scoutmasters either have on hand or have already distributed blanks to Scouts to be completed by parents themselves regarding past diseases, individual weaknesses, and limitations of the said Scouts.

Following the announced examinations, a form will be returned to the parents stating the exact physical condition of the Scout with proper and pertinent advice and suggestions if they are needed.

At the present time, Troop 88 is taking the lead in health, education, hygiene and physical examinations under the leadership of Scoutmaster Lewis Watts. The committee is desirous that all boy Scouts take advantage of the examinations immediately.

The Tenth District Committee on Health and Safety consists of Andrew J. Lewis, Scout Commissioner; F. A. Toomer in charge of general safety; John H. Bell, aquatics; C. C. Hart, fire prevention; and John C. Long, disaster relief.

Chairman of the above group is Dr. W. N. Harper, well- known local physician.

BOY SCOUTS TROOP 48

Westly W. Law

The Boy Scouts of troop .8 held their weekly meeting on Wednesday night, March 22. After "America the Beautiful" was sung, Scout W. Law and Scout William Glover led the troop in the scout oath. Registration fees were also collected. The Flying Eagle Patrol has been the leading patrol for two consecutive weeks. The troop played observation games and practice drilling.

Troop 48 went on an all day hike to La Page Hill on Saturday. Everyone had a grand time. We tramped through the woods and cooked our diner, which was well accepted by all of the boys. During the day we did some tracking.

Scoutmaster J. S. Delaware was in charge. We have a new member Obie Hall. Those present at the meeting were Scouts Benjamin G. Brwon Elmore Dingle, Freddie Allen, Jas Bookhart, Joseph Langley John Sibert, Lewis Langley William Glover, Nathaniel and Wesley Law. All boys are welcome to join us in our activities.

Mobile Ala Register
January 22, 1939

Colored Scout News

TRAINING COURSE

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Raleigh, N. C. News & Observer
January 19, 1939

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The members of troop are: Frank Staggers, patrol leader; Theodore Mikel, treasurer; Marvin Campbell, assistant patrol leader; James Mikel, John Staggers, Milton Gilliard, Johnathan Staggers Wilmot Robinson. Please don't let Mr. W. B. get my picture and letter —Theodore Mikel, 5 First street Charleston, S. C.

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Nashville, Tenn. Tennessean
January 26, 1939

Scout Council Here Pays Tribute To McMinnville Boy for Heroism

L. G. Boxwell, left, and Scoutmaster W. J. Anderson, paid tribute yesterday to Scout Billy Blankenship, right, for the outstanding life-saving feat of the past year.

The Nashville Boy Scout Council paid tribute at its annual meeting Wednesday to Scout Billy Blankenship of McMinnville, who has been nominated by the council to receive the gold honor award in life saving from the National Council of Boy Scouts.

"I didn't do anything that any other scout wouldn't do," said the 14-year-old boy, after Scout Executive W. J. Anderson described Blankenship's feat of saving the life of 235-pound Tom Hunter. He was accompanied yesterday by his scoutmaster, Wayman Hillis, of McMinnville.

Anderson explained that the boy was enabled to save the man from drowning last summer in Caney Fork River near McMinnville, as a result of learning to swim at the Boy Scout camp.

AWARDS PRESENTED

Three former scoutmasters were presented Silver Beaver awards through the authority of the National Council for their distinguished contributions to the local organization. The recipients were W. M. Fitzgerald, first scoutmaster of Troop 3, Curtis Haley, Nashville's first scoutmaster, who was in charge of Troop 1 in 1910, and D. Moore Andrews, member of the Court of Honor and scoutmaster of one of the largest troops in the city for a number of years.

L. G. Boxwell was reelected president of the local council. Other reelected officers include J. J Gray, honorary president; E. E Murrey, treasurer; and Ray Morrison, scout commissioner.

Reports submitted by Anderson and James Gribble, assistant scout executive, disclosed that last year was the most successful in the history of all branches of scouting in Nashville. The council rates second in the Southern region, exceeded only by the New Orleans Council, Anderson said.

2,804 SCOUTS AND CUBS

Anderson reported a total of 112 troops, Sea Scout Ships and Cub Packs, with aggregate registration of 2,804 scouts and cubs, as listed last December 31. During the year 26 new troops were organized with a total of 955 new scouts and five new cub packs, totaling 102 cubs, the executive stated.

Gribble presented the report of 1938 camping activities and of cub scouting. J. C. Napier, Negro banker, and head of the Negro department of scouting in Nashville, stated briefly the advancements that have been made in Negro scouting during the last five years.

Dr. Walter L. Caldwell, pastor of Woodland Street Presbyterian Church, gave an inspirational address closing the meeting.

Greenville, S. C. Piedmont
February 9, 1939

National Scouter Due Here Tomorrow For Conferences

Stanley Harris To Discuss Inter-Racial Scouting In District

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities for the Boy Scouts of America, will be in Greenville tomorrow for conferences with a group of Greenville district scouters, Executive O. B Gorman said today.

The group will discuss inter-racial scouting in this district and make plans for further work in that field The Blue Ridge council numbers several very active inter-racial units - Mr. Harris has been national director of inter-racial activities since 1926. Prior to that time he served as assistant national field director from 1922 to 1926.

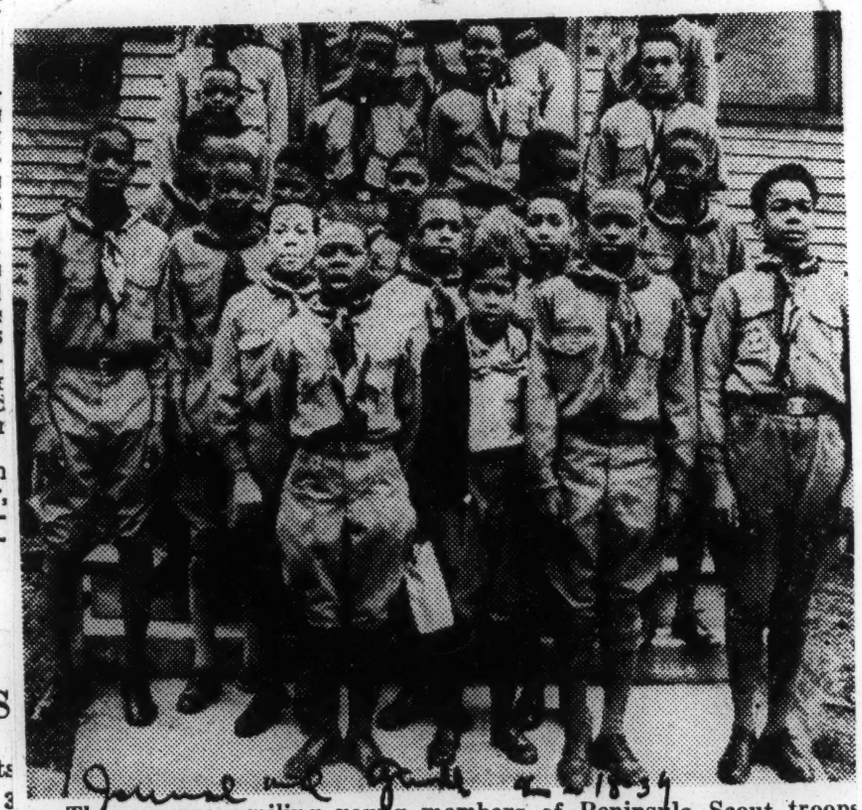
He organized a scout troop in 1908 and served as its scoutmaster, under British Scout authority, scouting having then not yet been organized in America.

Anniston, Ala. Star
February 12, 1939

Services Planned For Colored Boys

Services for colored Boy Scouts of Anniston will be conducted at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Mount Calvary Baptist Church, colored There are four troops of colored Scouts here and they and their troop committeemen will participate in the program. This will be part of the observance of "National Boy Scout Week" by the colored troops

Ready for Scout Week



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Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. - 1939

Camp Programs Are Made Possible for 1,900 Boys and Girls by the Community Chest

Nashville, Tenn. Tennessean
June 11, 1939

These Girl Scouts are not handicapped by lack of electric ranges. They are preparing a delicious meal in the wide open spaces.

It's bad medicine going down, but the Scout Masters watch out for the health of their charges—and it provides a lot of fun for the youth at the left who has already had his dose.

Scout Groups, Y's and Others to Sponsor Youth Projects

Through camp programs made possible by the Community Chest, 1,900 boys and girls of Nashville will attend camps this summer, officials of the charitable organization announced yesterday.

Chest organizations which will sponsor camps this summer include the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Y. W. C. A., Y. M. H. A., Y. W. H. A., Boys Club, Negro Youth Committee and the Negro Y. W. C. A.

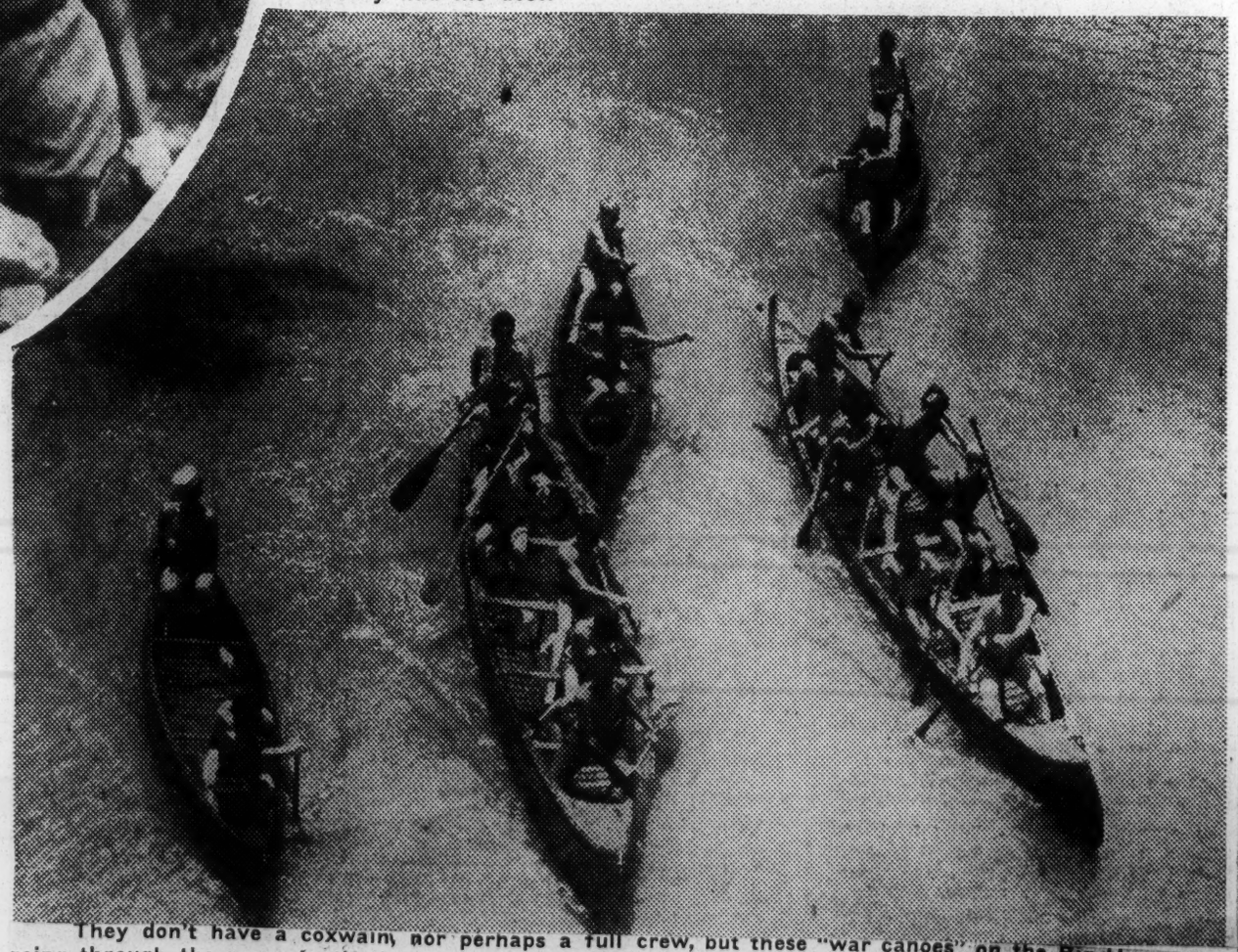
The Girl Scouts and the Y. W. C. A. will sponsor day camps this year, with the outing costing those attending nothing except a small registration fee and lunch.

In all of the camps the boys and girls will pay their own way. The camps themselves are made possible, however, the officials said, through the guidance and support of the respective chest organizations.

Boy Scouts will hold their annual camp on the Harpeth River about twenty-five miles from Nashville. The first session at Camp Boxwell, the Scout outing place, will begin June 19.

Approximately 100 members of the Boys Clubs of Nashville will use the Camp Boxwell facilities after the Scouts have completed their camping season.

The Y. W. C. A. Girl Reserves will go to Camp Woodhaven and the first period will begin August



They don't have a coxwain, nor perhaps a full crew, but these "war canoes" on the Big Harpeth are going through the paces in the intracamp races with rugged youths manning the oars.

1. The Girl Scouts also will use this camp located in the Montgomery Bell Park, thirty-five miles west of Nashville. The first camp will begin June 18.
2. Boys and girls of the Y. M. and Y. W. H. A. will go to Camp Old Shine at Eldorado Springs, north of Nashville, beginning July 2.
3. The Negro Y. W. C. A. again will hold its camps at Camp Wigona at Linton beginning June 19.